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Ellen Payne Odom Library recommended for American Cherokee Confederacy Library

A spokesman for the American Cherokee Confederacy said that they will make a recommendation to Tribal Council in September to make The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogical Library the home for the American Cherokee Confederacy Library.

Laurie Strongspirit-Sauls, Tribal Council Chief, Commerce, GA and Chairperson for the ACC Library Committee says that the Committee was unanimous in their decision

and is anxious to present a proposal to initiate the project.

The American Cherokee Confederacy Library will be the first designated Native American Library in the State of Georgia.

Other members on the committee are Brian "Standing Bear" Wilkes, Chief of the Hawk Band, Flanders, New Jersey and Tommy "Soaring Eagle" Jackson, Tribal Council Chief, Jacksonville, Florida.

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Wylie Family is 104th group to come "home" to Moultrie!

The Wylie Family Society has declared The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library as their archival and genealogical home.

In a letter from Mrs. B.A. Wylie, CD: "The Wylie Family Institute would like very much to have the distinctive pleasure of becoming the 104th group to come home to Moultrie."

Along with the letter The

Wylie Family Institute sent a computer disc containing *Our Wylie Book*, featuring the Lothian Line of our Head of House; *Our Wylie Booklet* - which the library already has in printed form.

Ceud Mile Failte Wylie Family!

If you would like membership information please contact Mrs. B.A.

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Thank you, Clan Scott! Thank you, St. Andrew's Society of Detroit!

David M. Scott, Membership Secretary of the Clan Scott Society (PO Box 13021, Austin, TX 78711-3121) writes, "By unanimous vote of the Board of Directors of the Clan Scott Society, Inc., on behalf of our more than 530 active member families, it was resolved to send *The Family Tree* the enclosed donations as

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Scotland's Parliament in exile



Photograph by John Carney

Noel Young, former editor of *The Sunday Mail*, Scotland's largest-selling newspaper, and current correspondent in North America for *Scotland on Sunday* and *The Scotsman*, has written an article for *The Family Tree* about the recent Scottish Symposium in Sarasota, Florida. See his article and photo identification on page 4 A.

Mark your calendars now. It's going to be the best ever...
The Scottish Weekend in Moultrie is set for February 19, 20 & 21!



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San Diego Genealogical Society sets 1998 Family History Fair

Amaze family and friends with the research savvy absorbed at the 1998 Family History Fair.

Sponsored by the San Diego Genealogical Society, the annual event will be held Friday, September 18, noon until 9 PM and Saturday, September 19 from 9 AM until

5 PM at the Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley, San Diego, California.

The San Diego Genealogical Society promotes family history research and offers classes and speakers at monthly meetings which are open to the public.

For further information call 619-588-0065 or <<http://genealogy.org/-sdgs>>

Researching at Home and Away

Saturday, October 10, 1998

The Southern Genealogists Exchange Society, Inc., will present John Vogt of Iberian Publishing Company in Athens, Georgia and special guest speaker, Elmer Spear of Elmer's Genealogical Library in Madison, Florida on Saturday, October 10, 1998 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, corner of McDuff Avenue and Park Street in Jacksonville, Florida.

Registration is \$27 for members before October 3 and \$32 for nonmembers before October 3. Add \$3.00 to each fee for after that date.

There will be drawings for door prizes and a raffle.

Contact SGES by writing PO Box 2801, Jacksonville, Florida 32203.

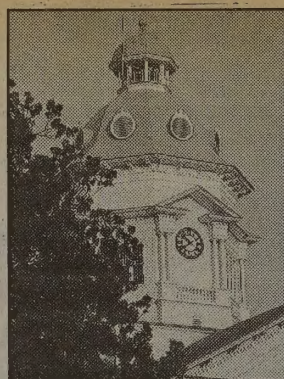
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New England Historic Genealogical Society presents two events

The New England Historic Genealogical Society presents Computer Resources for Genealogists on Saturday, September 12 or Sunday, September 13, 1998.

The programs will be held at the Women's Educational and Industrial Union, 356 Boylston St., Boston, MA. Interested persons should call toll free 1-888-286-3447 for more information.

Hartsville Heritage Days genealogical workshop set for October

Hartsville Heritage Days Genealogical Workshop will be held on October 3, 1998 at the Hartsville Genealogical Research Library (old train depot), 114 South Fourth Street, Hartsville, South Carolina.

Speakers include Brent H. Holcomb, CG (SC Colonial Records), James C. Pigg and Marie G. Wiggins (Burned

All-day seminar planned for McAllen, Texas

The McAllen Genealogical Society will hold its annual all-day seminar on Saturday, 30 January 1999 at the McAllen Airport Hilton in McAllen, Texas. Speaker Helen F.M. Leary will present five hours of lectures designed to benefit all researchers whether beginner or advanced. For further details contact Elaine Macey at 956-581-5511. Email <ecmacey@ibm.net> or write PO Box 4714, McAllen, TX 78502-4714.

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9th annual

Genealogical Festival in Lawrenceville, GA

The Friends of the National Archives, Southeast Region, present Dr. George K. Schweitzer, present their 9th annual Genealogical Festival this September 19. The program will be held from 8:30 until 4 PM at 185 Crogan Street, Lawrenceville, Georgia.

Renowned genealogical author, Dr. George K. Schweitzer, will be the featured guest speaker at an all-day seminar. Dr. Schweitzer, who is Alumni Distinguished Professor at the University of Tennessee, uses historical reenactment as a method of teaching genealogy. During the seminar, Dr. Schweitzer will give three lectures, in costume appropriate to the subject. All of his books will be available for purchase.

A number of other speakers will also present seminars throughout the day. Vendors will offer a wide variety of genealogical books and computerized resource materials.

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You're invited to Salt Lake City

Sponsored by the Utah Genealogical Society, the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy will be held January 18-22, 1999 at Salt Lake City, Utah at the Salt Lake City Plaza (formerly Howard Johnson's) right next door to the Family History Library.

There is a formal application to the institute and classes are generally limited to 30 students.

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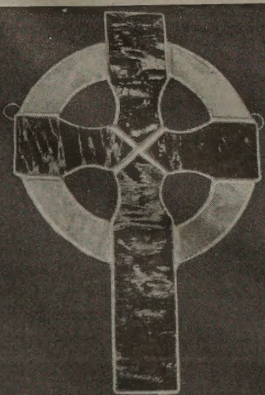
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The Scots over the water

Noel Young

former editor of *The Sunday Mail* (Scotland's largest-selling newspaper)
& correspondent in North America for *Scotland on Sunday* and *The Scotsman*

The people in our picture on page 1A, taken in 80-degree temperatures on one of Florida's most stunning beaches, muster around 4000 years of American history in their family trees. A number of their ancestors were there for the Declaration of Independence. And yet they are - one and all - proud to call themselves Scots, right down to wearing kilts in the steamy sunshine.

For this is Scotland's mini-Parliament in exile. The

delegates, representing many of the hugely-varied Scottish Societies in America, gathered in Sarasota, Florida for their third annual Scottish Symposium earlier this year.

But symposium number three was different. This time, with a new parliament on the horizon in Edinburgh, some American Scots had the feeling that they might at last be able to catch up with the Irish in public awareness.

To give them an added incentive, Senator Trent Lott, the Senate Majority Leader,

later succeeded in persuading fellow senators to make April 6 - the anniversary of the Declaration of Arbroath - National Tartan Day in perpetuity in the United States.

The symposium in Sarasota was instigated and chaired by the doughty Miss Duncan MacDonald, one of America's most distinguished women in broadcasting and a former president of the New York chapter of American Women in Radio and Television. Duncan is also vice-president and treasurer of the Caledonian Foundation USA.

From Scotland came Alastair Dempster, CEO of TSB Bank Scotland, to address a glitzy lunch on

Scotland in the new millennium.

Dempster was wearing his hat as chairman of the Caledonian Foundation, Scotland, a charity launched in August of 1996 to raise funds abroad for small-scale voluntary organizations in Scotland.

Dempster addressed the question of why American-Scots would want to give money for community organizations in Scotland - "Because it gives you a living link with the country your family came from."

How many people of Scots descent there are in North America is a matter of debate. Some estimates go as high as

P h o t o
identifications from page 1A: (Left to right on the left balcony) Evelyn M.E. Murray, Irene Toffey, Les Arries, Alan L. Bain.

(Left to right on the beach) Dr. Tom Henley, (in back) William A.

McClennan, David L. Peet, (in back)

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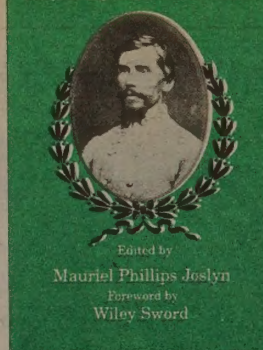
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16 million, but a more likely figure is 11 million. Figures from 1990 put the Scots in the US at 5.4 million and the Scots-Irish, who would rather be considered Scots than Irish, at 5.6 million, 11 million in all. This compares with a staggering 39 million Irish, the second largest racial group after 58 million people of German origin. The English total is 32,500,000.

One of the speakers referred to the spread of the Scots as "a true Diaspora...the Scots are everywhere." But it is doubtful if the Jewish people in the original Diaspora had anything like as rose-tinted a view of their homeland as some of the American-Scots do of Scotland.

Home Scots sometimes feel that the Scots-Americans are locked into a vision of some sort of 20th century Brigadoon. Clan chiefs and the clans rule the roost in a way they never did in Scotland. Modern Scots are also puzzled by the North Americans devotion to the aristocracy, including descendants of those responsible for "clearing" so many clansmen out of Scotland in the first place.

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Slave genealogy in your family?

Is there slave genealogy in your family? Are you planning a reunion for the year 2000? The Comprehensive Genealogical Services invite you to hold your family simultaneously with the Genealogical Symposium 2000 11-13 August 2000 at the Sheraton Airport Plaza Hotel, Charlotte, North Carolina.

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The Clan dinner and meeting will be held September 26 in the banquet room. Cost of the dinner is \$20 per person. Cut off date for reservations is September 10.

Please send your check to Mary L. Gunn, 521 Smith St., Thomasville, AL 36784. Call 334-636-2742 for information

Wylie declares,

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Wylie, CD, Correspondence Secretary, 330 Dundas St., E., Suite 705, Belleville, Ontario K8N 5L2 Canada. Call 613-962-1446. <<http://genealogy.cedargrove.com/wyle/wylie.htm>> or <<http://www.geocities.com/heartland/meadows/9556>>

Thank you,

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a token of our appreciation. It is the intent of the Board of Directors to continue making a similar donation each year for as long as we are financially able."

WOW! Thank you, Clan Scott! Your generosity is much appreciated!

The Board of Trustees and members of The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, William Kincaid, Treasurer, recently sent *The Family Tree* a most generous contribution to assist with postage.

Thank you, St. Andrew's Society!

American Cherokee Conf., *continued from page 1 A*

Further news and announcements about The American Cherokee Confederacy Library will be released after a Tribal Meeting in September. Anyone wishing to contact the ACC about the new Library can send E-mail to Laurie at: Findsauls@aol.com.

The American Cherokee Confederacy National Tribal Office is located in Albany, Georgia with Chief William "Rattlesnake" Jackson as Principal Chief.



A letter from your editor....

Dear Friends,

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Your editor: Beth Gay

I will never forget of kindness done. we reach a press

As long as I live, each and every act With this issue, run of 75,000 +. The first *Family* run (that's the printed) of 2,500. we mailed about 500 and the rest were distributed at the Grand Opening of the brand new Odom Library. The paper was produced with an old word processor that wouldn't make type small enough to use. I had to type it in...and then take the printout to the copy machine and reduce it. We used a label maker to make headlines. It was put together with rubber cement, love and even some blood (we only had a single-edged razor blade for our "graphic department" and I kept cutting my fingers). That first issue had about \$500 worth of advertising...and, of course, no Postage Heroes.

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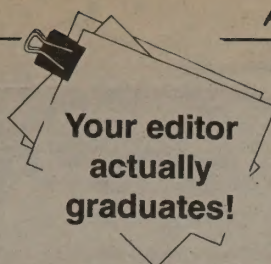
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I Love, Beth



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In the adventure which began just over a year ago, your editor graduated (on her birthday), June 18th, from Moultrie Area Technical Institute with a Certificate in Desk Top Publishing (Micro Word Processing) and maintained her 4.0 gpa for the entire year!

After the graduation ceremony (and your editor still looks ridiculous wearing that academic hat) friends and Mel adjourned to a local restaurant for a birthday/graduation supper and hijinks.

All of the above just goes to prove that you can sometimes teach an old dog a few new tricks!

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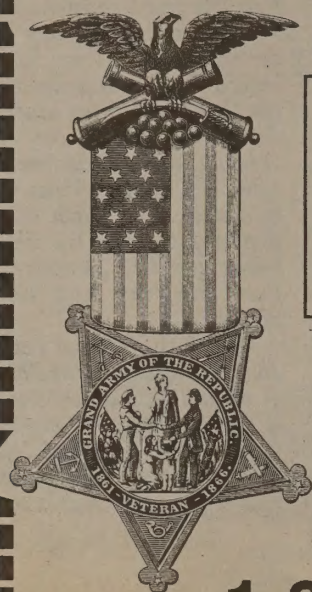
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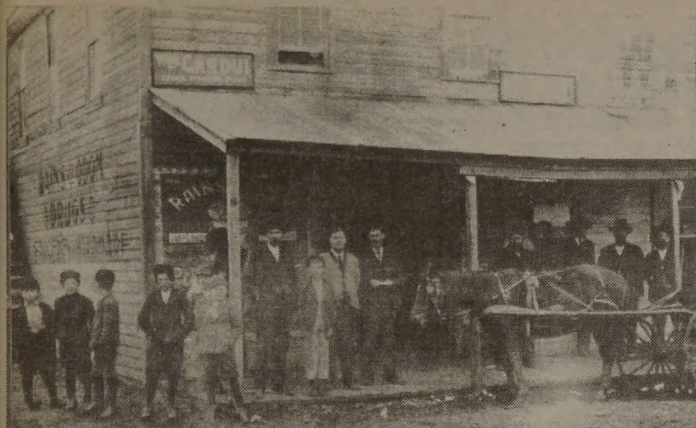
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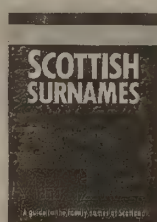
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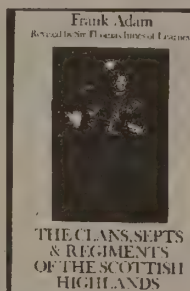
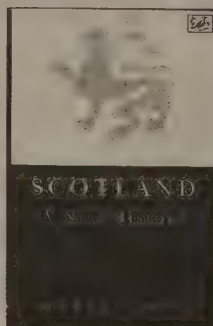
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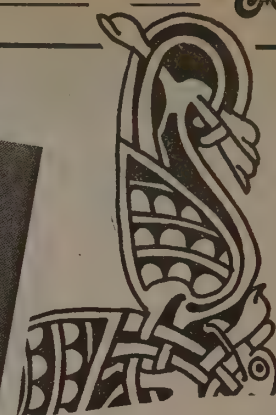
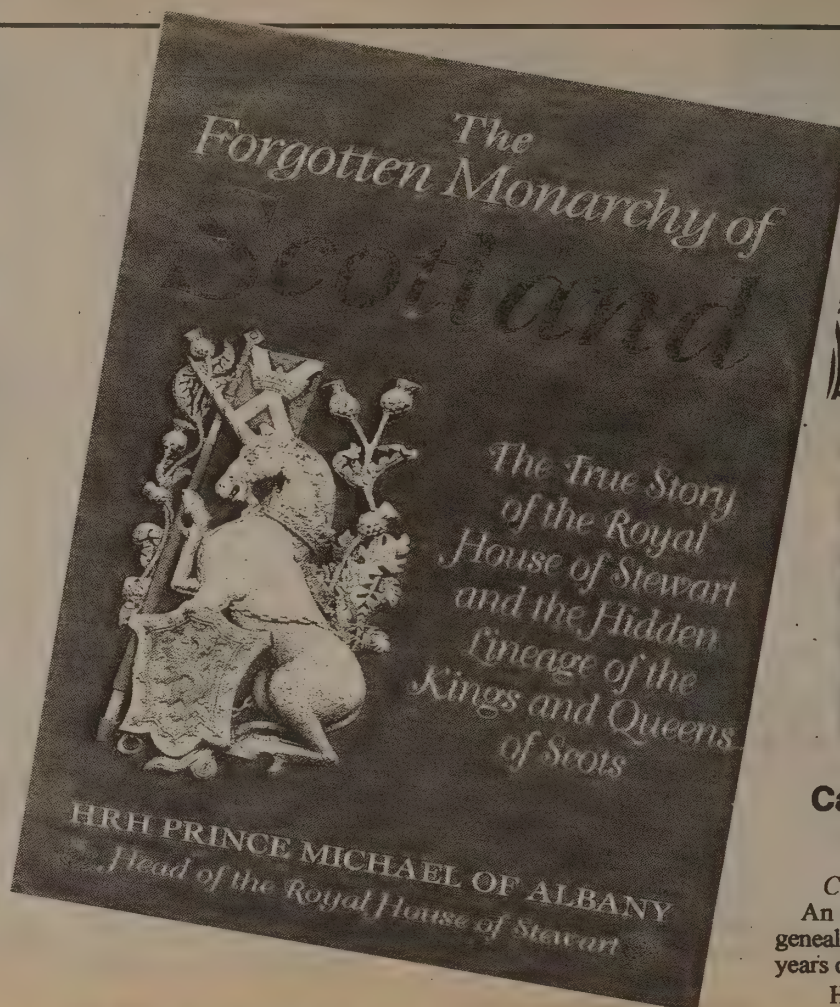
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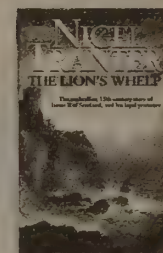
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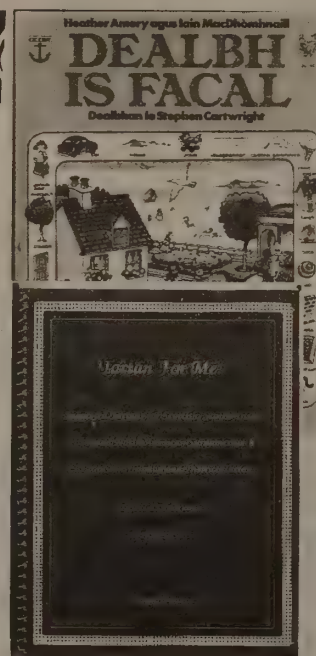
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"Remember the Generations"

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Hollywood "Chai"

By the time this article is published, Jewish genealogists from all over the world will have attended the 18th annual Seminar on Jewish Genealogy in Los Angeles from July 12 - 17. The title of the seminar was an obvious play on words, because "chai" is the Hebrew word for *life* - the seminar being alive in Hollywood where the most famous high school was Hollywood High (OK, maybe Fairfax High School produced movie people as well, but everybody knew of Hollywood). Actually, the seminar was held at the Century Plaza in Century City, but close enough to the glitz and glamour of the movie world.

One afternoon lecture was devoted to "Tracking Jews in the Motion Picture Industry," by archivist Val Almdendarez, Collections Archivist, Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. The Margaret Herrick Library at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is the place to go if you're looking for information about relatives in the movie industry. This library has several collections that can provide biographical information about Jews in the movies. There is a library of over 20,000 books and 1,400 periodicals containing biographies, autobiographies and biographical dictionaries of Hollywood figures as well as foreign language publication with individual in the industry. Various *Who's Who* type publications features

stars, non-stars, executives and technical people in the industry who might not be mentioned in other biographical sources. The Archives houses a photographic and newspaper clipping section. It also possesses personal papers of many Hollywood figures. This library is located at 333 S. La Cienega Boulevard in Beverly Hills. It is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 am to 6 pm and admission is free. Only paper and pencils are allowed in the library.

On a personal note, my great uncle, Franz Waxman, is not only a part of that library's collection as an Academy Award winning composer for *Sunset Boulevard* and *A Place*

in the Sun, but is listed for his many other movie scores during his illustrious career as a Jewish immigrant from Nazi Germany in the 1930s. His many friends in the industry, such as Billy Wilder, Peter Lorre and John Banner, were also Jewish immigrants who fled Europe before Hitler murdered their family members left behind in the fires of the Holocaust. Perhaps, they illustrate a real "Hollywood Chai," because they survived to create wonderful works of art for the world to enjoy.

Many of those Jewish immigrants' lives ended in Hollywood and are buried in a cemetery that was close to extinction because of bankruptcy. Franz Waxman's

remains are in one of the now leaky, decrepit mausoleums. My great-grandparent's graves are in deplorable condition and the older tombstones are either fallen or about to crumble. It is here that so many famous and not-so-famous relatives were about to be dealt a twofold death - they passed away and were in danger of having their graves forgotten and neglected as well. If the cemetery had closed its doors, we Jews would have had no place to go and say *Kaddish* (the Jewish prayers for the deceased) over our loved ones.

The story of Hollywood Memorial Park Cemetery's near-death experience is like a movie script with all the emotion, tension and suspense of a Hollywood film. Watch for the story in the next issue of *Family Tree*.



Some ways to deal with the "Year 2000 computer problem."

Since most computer programs were written using only the last two digits of the years' date, when calendar calculations require the year 2000, they are likely to give some strange answers.

This is commonly known as the Y2K problem. Agencies all over the world are working on this problem, but no one expects that all programs will be fixed on time. There are some things you can do.

Set your computer's calendar to 11:58 PM, December 31, 1999 and let it run into 2000. If it does, turn the computer off, wait 5 minutes, then restart to see if it retains the "correct" date and time.

Call your computer manufacturer to find out whether your software is Y2K ready. When buying a new computer or software insist on an in-store test for Y2K readiness.

Check out "Survive 2000: at <www.sbhs.com> and "Y Mark 2000: <www.nstl.com>

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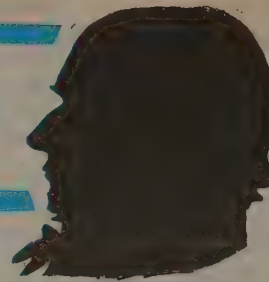
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Ordeonez/Ordonez/Orduna/Ordunes/Ortiz



The surname Ordonez is a patronymic of Ordone and distinguished itself in 850. Ordone, son of King Ramiro I of Asturias, won a mighty victory against the Moors.

The name came to mean, son of a mighty man. King Ordone I, the first of a succession of 4 Ordone Kings, had 5 sons. Their reign covered Leon, Asturias and Galicia. The Ordonez nobles were valiant, awarded noble titles and created Knights of Alcantara (founded 1156 A.D.) and Knights of Santiago

(founded 1160 A.D.).

In 1513, Fernando Ordonez, son of Diego Ordonez and Maria Gonzales, left from Alcaraz, Spain to the Indies, exact location not specified.

The Ordonez name distinguished itself also in the arts.

Bartolome Ordonez was a well known sculpture with works completed in the early 1500s.

The name of the state of California was derived from an island so named in the 16th century novel, *Las Sergas de*

Esplandian, written by Garci Ordonez de Montalvo.

A Rodrigo Ordonez appears in northeast Mexico in 1627. A later date identifies a Manuel Ordonez.

Husband and wife, Armando and Olga Rodriguez de Ordonez, family researchers trace their mutual Ordonez line back to Salvador Ordonez. Salvador left Spain as a young man in 1678 and went to work in the silver mines of Los Ranchos de Santiago in present-day Chihuahua, Mexico. Salvador had 5 children and one of his grandsons had 21 children. Another grandson had 14 children. Family researchers believe that 99% of Hispanics carrying the name of Ordonez are related to this family.

Enterprising and prolific, the Ordonez families did not migrate to the United States until the early 1900s, stimulated by the turmoil of Pancho Villa and los Federales. The Ordonez men found work in the mines and railroads of Las Cruces and Silver City, New Mexico. From New Mexico, families migrated all over the southwest. During the Depression, many settled in East Los Angeles.

Armando Rodriguez' Ordonez line comes through both sides of his maternal side. Grandfather Isidro Ordonez was the son of Monserrate Ordonez and Maria de la Paz Garcia. Grandmother Pina Ordonez was the daughter of Eusebio Ordonez and Dolores

Castillo. All originated from the Los Ranchos de Santiago area in Chihuahua, Mexico where their common progenitor, Salvador Ordonez, first settled.

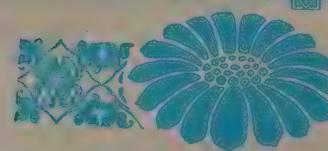
Grandmother, Pina Ordonez married grandfather, Isidro Ordonez, a distant cousin, who sadly died during an influenza epidemic. Struggling to maintain her 13 children, with the hope of jobs, Pina brought her family to the United States in 1924. The older children worked and contributed. The family survived language problems and the Depression.

Ortillia Ordonez, one of Pina's daughters, married Antonio Rodriguez, parents of family researcher, Armando Rodriguez.

Armando's wife, Olga Rodriguez, has an Ordonez connection through a maternal uncle, married to Eleanor Ordonez.

Other surnames on the Ordonez tree: Trujillo, Grijalva, Caraveo, Cota, Mendoza, Coss, Villalobo, de la Paz, Castillo.

Mimi Lozano is a member of the Society of Hispanic Historical and Ancestral Research Society. She is editor of *Somos Primos*.



A great idea for Virginia research

Many American pedigrees wind across the country to Virginia, and there they appear to dead-end because many of Virginia's counties have lost records. Genealogists are known to find other records and ways to work around such losses. Many records do exist, but simply have not been combed thoroughly. A good example of this is Frederick Co., Virginia. The county was formed in 1738 from Orange County, but its county government was not organized until 1743.

The boundaries of old Frederick County today encompass 12 counties: Frederick, Clarke, Warren, Shenandoah and Page in Virginia; and Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan, Hampshire, Mineral, Hardy and Grant in West Virginia.

German, Dutch, Welsh and Ulster Scots (Scotch-Irish) settlers came to this area from New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland - the English from Tidewater, Virginia and many Quakers settled in the Shenandoah Valley.

If you need help in this area, the book *Pioneers of Old Frederick County, Virginia* may be the answer to your searches. It is available from the author, Cecil O'Dell, 464 Morse Ave., Liberty, MO 64068. \$54 postpaid, 623 pp.

Yikes!

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Other terms you might run into include *ut fertur* meaning as it is said (or believe it if you like), and *dictus* or *p(re)a dictus* meaning the said, aforesaid (man). *Voctus* means called or known as.

A common way of showing illegitimate paternity in English records was to give a child his father's full name and his mother's surname. The idea was that if the couple married later, the mother's surname could be dropped.

So, if you discover a reference to John Jones Smith, and it occurs anywhere but in a recognized gentry family before ca 1840 in England, it should alert you to the possibility of illegitimacy.

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For additional information, send SASE to the Friends of the National Archives - Southeast Region, 1557 St. Joseph Ave., East Point, GA 30344.

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Scottish Heritage USA and National Trust for Scotland invite Clans and Societies to participate in campaign



At a recent luncheon hosted by Scottish Heritage USA's Board of Directors, SHUSA's Chairman, The Rev. Dr. Dougald L. Maclean, invited clans and societies to consider participating in the Heritage Fund - Coming Home to Scotland campaign and join together in making a financial commitment to preserving Scotland's unique heritage and building enduring relationships between Scotland and North America.

In 1996, Scottish Heritage USA and The National Trust for Scotland agreed to strengthen their long standing bonds of friendship by collaborating on a joint North American campaign to raise \$3 million for National Trust for Scotland projects.

Founded in 1965, Scottish Heritage USA (SHUSA) is dedicated to building bridges between the peoples of Scotland and North America. SHUSA's mission is to help those of Scottish descent become more aware of their

heritage and to "enhance the original bonds of ancestral and national character" between Scotland and North America, principally through its support of the National Trust for Scotland, the largest conservation organization in Scotland today. The National Trust for Scotland is Scotland's leading conservation organization, protecting a priceless legacy of wilderness, castles, gardens, battlefields and historic sites.

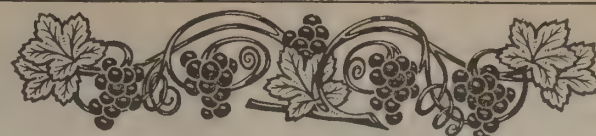
Each year, SHUSA underwrites key renovation and restoration projects of the Trust, provides scholarship and exchange programs in horticulture and conservation, organizes lecture tours in the United States and spreads the word about the Trust's work at Highland Games and Scottish Gatherings across the United States.

The National Trust for Scotland is composed of 250,000 members and administers more than 100 properties of historic

significance and 185,000 acres of countryside. Its overriding concern is that Scotland's unique architecture and history be open and accessible to the public, and each year the Trust welcomes approximately 2 million visitors to its properties and an equal number to its islands, coastline, mountains and remote scenic areas.

The programs of The National Trust for Scotland include: Restoration and repair of properties and their historic contents; preservation and maintenance to prevent deterioration; horticultural programs to maintain historic gardens; conservation of wilderness areas; educational and interpretive programs; archaeological research and the purchase and restoration of Scotland's unique architectural treasures.

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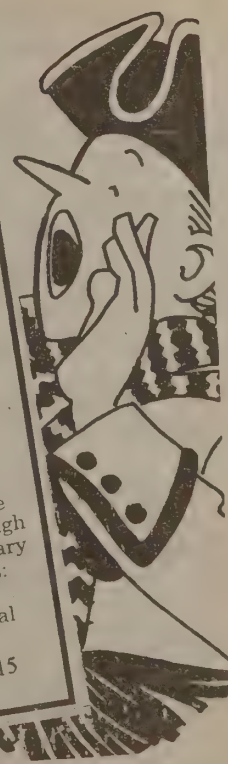
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Penn, Powell, Slayton, Smith, Van Brunt, Whatley, Wilkinson, Willie, Wynne and Yuratch families.

With a forward by Dr. Edwin C. Bridges, director Alabama Department of Archives & History, the book is 452 pages, including full name 53 page index with

nearly 6,000 names. Hardcover, the book is \$40 postpaid.

Dr. Bridges write that one of the values of this work, and of family history in general, is that it helps us see again our place in the larger human continuum. Such an insight can perhaps make us more

conscious of our connections and obligations to our fellow man and help us see a little above the hectic rush of our own daily lives. We recognize that one of America's important contributions to the world has been to help free people from the burdens and limitations imposed by prior cultural systems. Yet, we also we also recognize that we are beneficiaries of the past. Like our predecessors, we, to, have an obligation to try to pass on to those who will follow us a better world than the one we inherited. One of the most important legacies we must pass on is the accumulated wisdom of our species, the knowledge of which will help our descendants in choosing most wisely the course they will seek to follow."

agencies.

There is a book called *Driving in Britain: A North American's Guide to the Ins and Outs and Roundabouts of Driving Over There* that will help.

The author, Rob Lockhart, says it's a matter of attitude. If you want a challenge and are prepared to regard a roundabout as a giant computer game, go for it, being sure, if you are not used to driving a manual transmission car, to order a mid-sized automatic rental car (too small and it will be underpowered)

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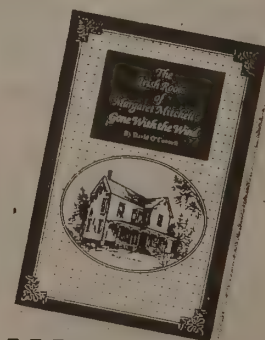
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We also thank Sandra Graham of Akron, Ohio who sent along two adorable sheep for our flock. A bright blue sheep and a sheep with pink ears has joined the crew awaiting the 2000 Scottish Weekend. Thank you, Sandra!

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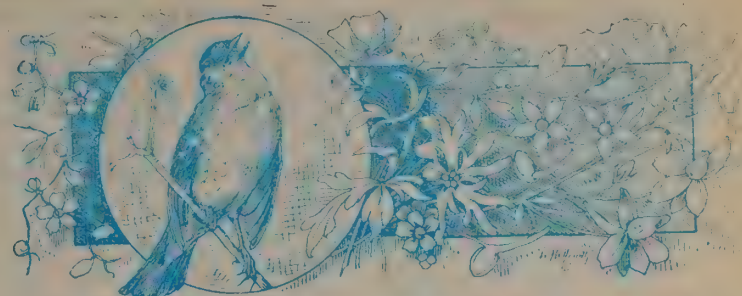
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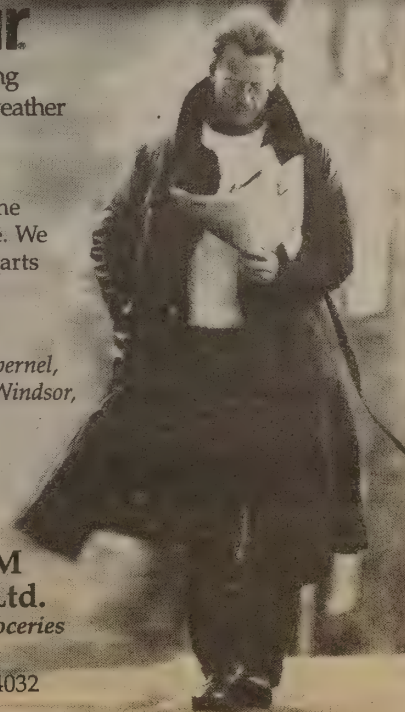
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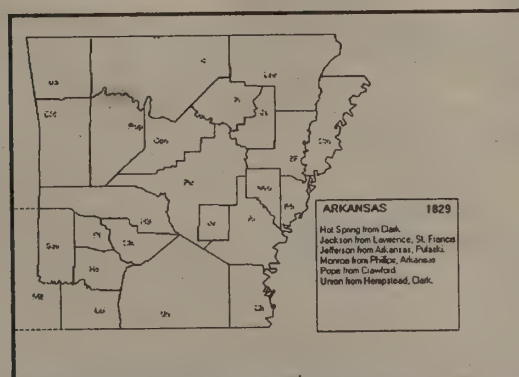
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What's in a name? We all want to know about that surname, especially our surname, or one with which we identify.

Now, there are all kinds of information out on the internet on surnames.

During June I did a seminar on "Exploring Genealogy on the Internet" for Continuing Education at Abraham Baldwin College. And, one of

the easiest things I have found for a beginner on the internet to do is look for that surname with which they are having trouble.

To begin searching on surnames, select one that is unique in some way, but not too common. In other words, Jones and Smith would not be good names with which to start. Baker is not, but Peacock seems to be. There were too many Bakers in colonial

America, but not as many with the Peacock name.

Use a name which you already know some history in depth about the family and you are wanting to find more information. The information is not going to jump out at you. You can't just use a surname, and then there is your ancestor! So, it is best to have some knowledge to begin, and that make it not as frustrating to search. You may want to gain

this knowledge by proceeding to a one name study site.

A good place to check out is the Guild of One-name Studies located at www.one-name.org. You may want to even contribute some information about the surname for which you are searching. This is an interesting site, even if you do not find information on your surname, it is worth searching.

Another place to look is the surname web. The address is www.surnameweb.org. If you find your name they may give you links to other sources. You may get lucky at this site or it could be a lost cause, but it is worth trying.

Now where do you go?

One place to go on the internet is to go to Hamrick Software's surname distribution site. The address is www.hamrick.com/names. At this site you find the distribution of surnames in the United States according to the census years of 1850, 1880, and 1920. They also have it based on phone books in the 1990s. You write in your surname, select a year, and you

see how popular that surname is! This will give you some idea on where eventually to look for additional research.

If you are having a hard time finding information for the 1800s, look at the distribution of your name in 1850 and 1880. You may need to pull off and search some areas where that surname was very prominent in 1850, because you may find a clue.

Families moved from place to place for different reasons during this period. You will find that clues will be found at various places. There are comprehensive genealogical sites where you need to go.

One is the Genealogy Toolbox site. This can be found at genealogy.tbox.com. Here you have a genealogy site finder, then query central, and the journal of online genealogy. But, you want to go to genealogy site finder and choose then, expanded directory, then scroll down to the people category, and select surnames. Then, you choose the first letter of the surname for which you are searching, and go to your name. There is a brief abstract of each link. You may want to search out those which look interesting, or you may want to bookmark the location for later use. (You may need to have a surname section on your bookmarks.) I am looking for brothers and sisters of early 1800 ancestors, so this is a good place for me to look.

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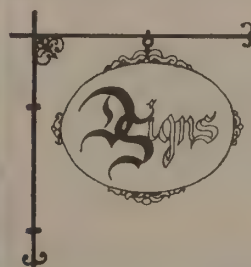
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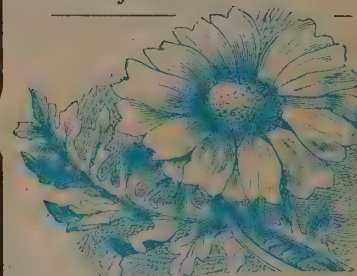
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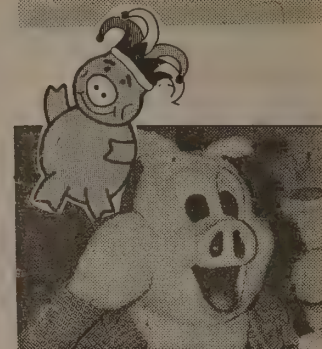
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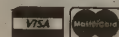
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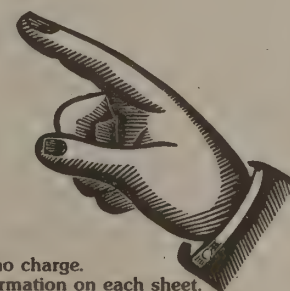
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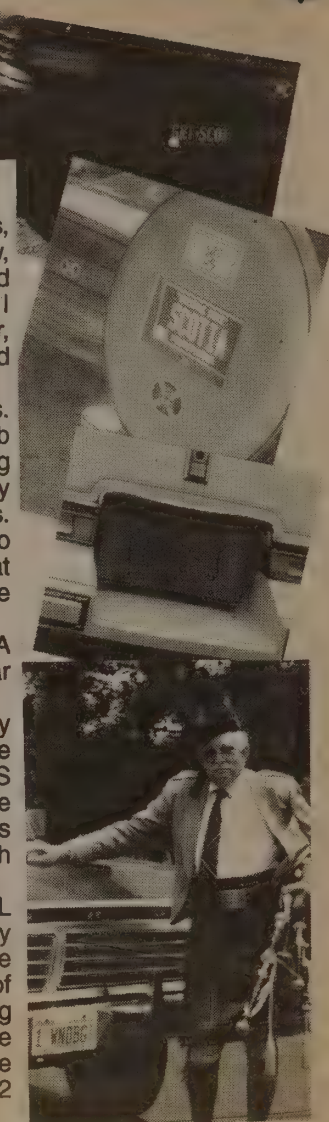
Jim Beattie, 119 S. Market St., Ligonier, PA 15658, writes, "I have enjoyed your publication for quite some time now, always finding something new. Over the years, I've found the license plates from your readers quite interesting. I am the proprietor of The Gaelic House located in Ligonier, Pennsylvania, which is the home of The Ligonier Highland Games.

I've enclosed pictures featuring my personalized plates. The "GRT-SCOT" plate has followed me to my regular job of inspecting elevators on my last three vehicles, logging 232,000 miles the last six years. "SCOTIA" replaced my "KITH-KIN" plate on the van I use to attend the games. Most Scots recognize the former, but the latter drove me to answering many questions. I was surprised to get that plate just three years ago. If any of your readers see me flying by, just give a wee honk for kindness sake."

Norma Ross Todd, 1310 McKean Ave., Donora, PA 15033-2200, writes, "Am sending you a snap of my car license plate, "TODD-3."

"I was editor of *The Donora Herald-American* daily newspaper for 15 years before finally going to work for the federal government - Social Security Administration HHS until retirement....I am a member of Clan Ross and the Family of Bruce and my mother's maiden name was Ferguson, so I am really of true Scottish origins on both sides of the family. My husband was the Todd."

R.N. Stormont, 7795 Montague Road, Rockford, IL 61102, writes, "...always enjoy *The Family Tree* - especially the license plates. After 50-plus years as Pipe Major of the Pipes & Drums of the Scottish Educational Society of Rockford, Illinois, I was bestowed the title of 'Windbag (WNDBAG)'. The pipe band is the oldest pipe band in the US - first known as the Clan McAlpine Band...the pipes are Robertson's with real ivory and silver. My truck is a 1972 Ford. I am a Canadian born Scot."



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You might like to go to <<http://www.vision.net.au/~jbrowne/>> for Tasmanian/Australian researchers. This site has, in addition to much, much valuable information, a list of Tasmanian researchers who will conduct lookups free of charge - as well as a helpful list of place names and their changes.

If you have Danish ancestry you might like to try <<http://www.purl.dk/net/9710-1001>> which is a great resource for Scandinavian researchers.

Treasure on the Internet

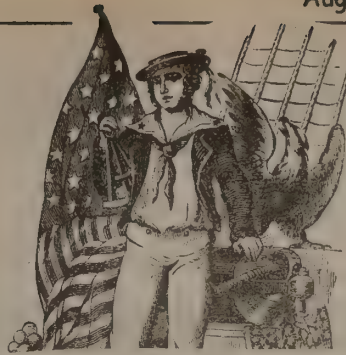
One man rummaging through the state of Louisiana Webpage found a listing for "Unclaimed Property." He entered his surname and up popped the name of his great-aunt who had died in the 1800s and had left him \$86.00.

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According to Michael Wayne, "the Duke's" oldest son, his father never officially changed his name from Marion Michael Morrison to John Wayne. Time and usage did it for him. He lived and died officially a Morrison.



Members of the Clan Morrison Society braved the drizzle outside the US Capitol, along with Senate Majority Leader, Trent Lott, House Speaker Newt Gingrich and a host of Army generals and guests.

A dozen members of Marion Morrison/John Wayne's family attended the ceremony. Michael Wayne remarked that he wished he had worn his kilt.

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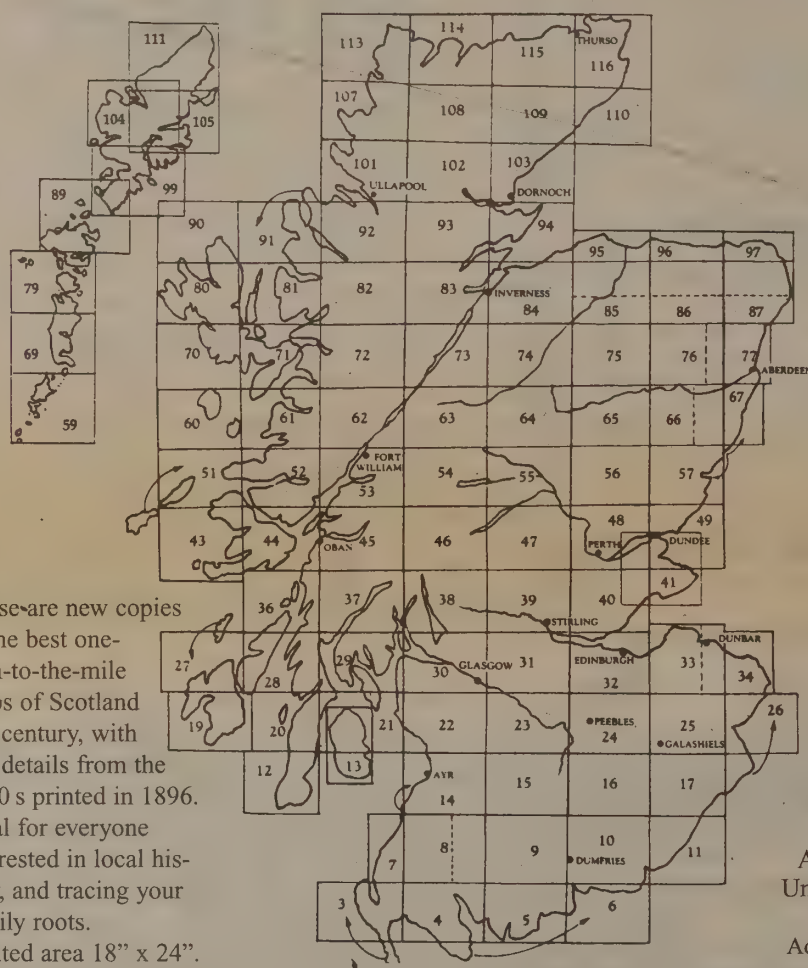
The Clan MacLaren Society of North America, Ltd. has made a significant contribution toward the purchase of more genealogical CD-ROM's for the Sandy Hume Memorial Computer Center at The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library in Moultrie.

Mr. F. Houston Lowry of Madisonville, Tennessee, sent a check from the group with instructions for its use. We will order the CD's right away, MacLaren's!

Thank you so much!

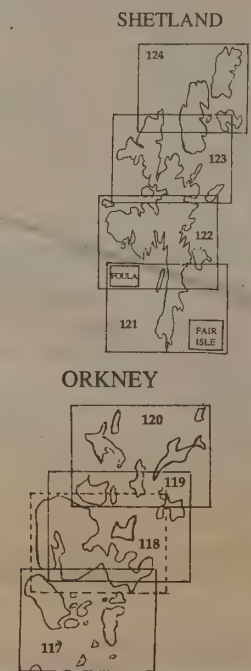
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Suas Alba! Kith & Kin...News from Scots Clans

Clan Ross annual meeting set for Williamsburg Scottish Festival

Members of the Clan Ross Association of the US will assemble in Virginia at the Williamsburg Scottish Festival on 26 September 1998 at the Williamsburg Winery for the twenty-second annual meeting, announced President Harold Andrews of Talmage, California. Business of the AGM will include reports of officers, committees and the Association's charitable Foundation as well as certification of the ballots for election of officers for the next two years. Fellowship among the members will be stressed, as at all Clan Ross USA meetings.

Headquarters for the AGM is in the Days Inn Historic Area, Williamsburg, Virginia. The Board of Officers and Trustees meeting will be on Friday with the Clan Ross Dinner on Saturday and the Survivor's Brunch on Sunday.

The Clann Ross Association of the USA is a national society, which fosters Scottish clan spirit. The Association encourages the study and preservation of the genealogy, history, folklore, and traditions of Clan Ross and our Scottish

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Clan Ross USA publishes a quarterly newsletter, sponsors Ross tents at many Scottish games, gathers records for preservation at The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library, reprints Ross-related books, provides scholarships to student of Scottish subjects, helps support the Tain Museum and the Clan Ross Centre in Rosshire, Scotland and fosters fellowship among its members.

Surnames identified with the family and territory of Ross are: Anderson/Andison, Andrew/s, Corbet/t, Crow/e, Croy, Deas, Denoon/Denune, Dingwall, Duthie, Fair, Fear/n, Gillanders, Hagart/Haggart, MacAndrew/s, MacCullie, MacCulloch, MacLulloch, MacTaggart, MacTear/MacTier/MacTyre, McLulich, Mitchell, Taggart, Tarrel, Tullo/ch, Tyre, Vass, Wass and Waters.

Persons who have ancestors of the name Ross or one of the names above are invited to join Clan Ross USA. Annual membership dues are \$20

(payable to The Clan Ross Association). Please make inquiries to: Membership secretary, Marilyn L. Ross, 5430 5th St., South, Arlington, VA 22204-1203. <<http://www.cyberramp.net/~nathan/ClanRoss/welcome.html>>

Clan Donald USA AGM set for Dedham, Massachusetts

The annual general meeting of Clan Donald USA is convened annually at a different location and independent of any other gathering or games.

This year's event will be held at Dedham, Massachusetts near Boston Thursday, September 24-Sunday, September 27.

There will be tours, casual dinners, a banquet, meetings and gatherings - plus the annual meeting - workshops, religious services and a Kirkin' o' the Tartan at the Old North Church in Boston. Sunday afternoon will feature the Survivor's Brunch.

For information on the CDUSA AGM, contact

Kenneth D. MacDonald, 873 Chestnut St., Waban, MA 02168.

Clan MacNicol Society, Inc., joins worldwide federation

The Clan MacNicol Society, Inc., has recently joined a new, worldwide Clan MacNeacail Federation. There are three societies of the Clan MacNicol; one in America, one in Scotland (Skye) and one in Australia where the Clan chief lives.

If you would like more information on Clan MacNicol, contact Richard S. Nicoll, 19 Dignon Rd., Billerica, MA 01821. Call 978-667-1634.

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President Dick McLellen announces the election at the annual general meeting of new

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It is extremely important to ask questions concerning both the physical and mental health of your ancestors and even of your living relatives. You should make every effort to document the following:

- * What disease (or diseases) killed each of your ancestors? Be as specific as possible and find out the symptoms in case the ailment was misdiagnosed.

- * What illnesses or

ailments are suffered by members of your family? Common answers to this inquiry may include arthritis or rheumatism and diabetes. Be certain to find out how many family members have been afflicted and how long they have suffered. Also, ask about complications and related health problems people have suffered due to their illnesses.

- * Has anyone in your family suffered from emotional or mental problems such as depression or obsessive-compulsive disorder? Was she/he institutionalized for the problem? Find out the details of the illness including symptoms. This is an especially troublesome area to ask about because many people are squeamish when it comes to questions of mental health.

- * Who were the "characters" in your family? What made them stand out in the collective memory of the family? What was their health? Were they plagued with any physical or mental ailments? If so, what were they? Find out all the details you can.

Please note that not all of the information listed above may be available from family members, especially in the generations prior to the mid 1800s. However, other sources such as church and court records, local newspapers, diaries, letters, military records and hospital and physician's records may fill in many gaps in your medical family tree.

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More fun names from Jack McKinney

In an issue of our paper back in 1994, we had a little article of unusual names garnered from the research of Jean Blake-Dalrymple of Benson, Arizona. Now, Jack McKinney, 3072 Kirk Court, NW, Kennesaw, GA 30152-4612 (770-424-5004) <mwmckinney@msn.com> has written, "I was looking through an old issue of The Family Tree and noted an article about your unusual name collection. I once worked in an office with a man whose name was Gwen Flowers. He and his wife had four daughters, named April Flowers, May Flowers and June Flowers. When the fourth daughter was born during the Christmas holidays, they named her Holly Flowers.

There was a reportedly a man in rural Georgia named Smith, who decided that his child would have a different name than any other Smith. So, when his son was born and weighed five pounds, eight ounces, he named him Five Eight Smith.

These are favorite name stories of mine which I have told many times."

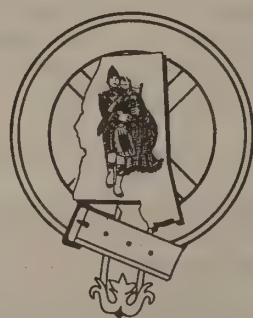
Thank you, Mr. McKinney!

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7:00 p.m. Sponsors / Patrons Reception
Forestry Auditorium
8:00 p.m. Scottish Country Dance

Saturday, August 22

Gates open at 9:00 a.m. / Close 5:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies, Introduction of
Honored Guests, Massed Bands
12:00 noon Parade of the Tartans and
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4:00 p.m. Closing Ceremonies
7:30 p.m. Ceilidh
Music Hall of Fame Building

Entertainment

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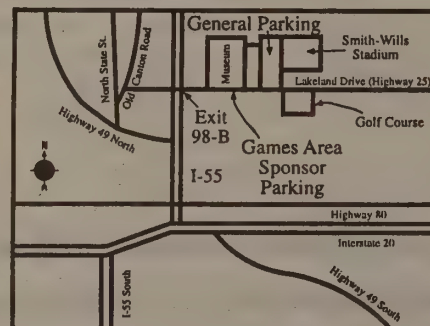
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However, in 1994, Phillip Lax, who was then president of the Ellis Island Restoration Commission, reported that all the records believed to have burned had been located. There may have been a few immigrant records burned, but the majority of immigrants are recorded on ships' passenger manifests, in the hands of the shipping companies and in shipping lists held by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Other records were found in the INS Building and at the Balch Institute in Philadelphia.

If you have an immigrant line who passed through Ellis Island, you may have their names inscribed on the stainless steel Wall of Honor at the Ellis Island Receiving Station, which is now restored. The cost per name is \$100, a small price to pay for recording your ancestor's name for all posterity. You will receive a certificate honoring your immigrant ancestor. More information is available from The Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island Foundation, Inc., PO Box 1955, New York, NY 10177.

Are you kin to any of the Lewis & Clark folks?

Are you a descendant of a man in the Corps of Discovery, the Lewis & Clark expedition? If so, the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation invites you into membership and the Foundation's Genealogy Committee would like to hear from you. For information on the LCTHF, write PO Box 3434, Great Falls, MT 59403.

To talk genealogy, contact Donna Masterson, 10957 Maple ave., Bloomington, CA 92316-3123.

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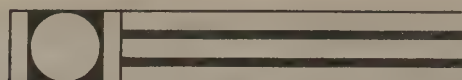
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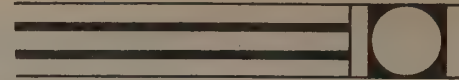


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Flowers of the Forest



Virgil E. Talbot, 71, librarian and curator, died Wednesday in Siloam Springs, AR. Mr. Talbot was the publisher of the excellent *Goingsnake Messenger*.

Ina Stewart died last March 27, 1998 in Bakersfield, California. She was a founding member of The Kern County Scottish Society, Inc.

George William (Bill) Pollock, Jr., Treasurer of Clan Pollock, died 15 June 1998, following a boating accident near his home in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Bill was appointed Clan Pollock Treasurer in 1994 and had been reelected to the position in 1995 and 1997, serving with distinction until his death.

He was a graduate of Cornell University (BA 1950; MBA 1951). He received a Bronze Star for service in the Korean Conflict. He retired in 1993 as Vice-President, Private Banking Division of Bank One in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

He is survived by his wife,

Mary, daughters Nancy Buehler and Virginia Platta and grandchildren Katherine, Elizabeth and William Buehler and Alexander Platts and nieces and nephews.

Clan Donnachaidh is saddened to bid farewell to **Annette C. Bauman** of Oakton, Virginia; **Richard Shipley Duncan** of Sykesville, Maryland; **Phyllis Robertson Griffin** of DeWitt, Michigan and **Harry W. Robertson, III** of Richmond, Virginia.

Margaret E. Simpson of Larimer, Pennsylvania died 1 April. She served Clan Morrison as Pennsylvania Convener.

Harry W. Atkinson, 83, Flowery Branch, Georgia died last April 26. He was an avid genealogist and served on the Hall County, Georgia Library Board and was past president of the Northeast Georgia Genealogical Society.

Doris B. Tatham, historian and genealogist, 88, died last December 20 at Speare

Memorial Hospital in Plymouth.

Paul R. Boyd, 81, died last June 28 at Inova Fairfax (VA) Hospital of head injuries suffered in a fall at his home in Springfield, Virginia. Mr. Boyd retired in 1973 from the flight standards division of the Federal Aviation Administration as an air carrier operations inspector.

He was a member of the House of Boyd Society.

A memorial service, 14 March 1998, commemorated the life of **Angus MacLellan**. Angus joined Clan MacLellan in 1988 and has served as Area Representative for the past several years. His passing saddens the entire Clan and leaves a large gap in an important area of Canada.

Angus was born in 1916, the son of Alex and Effie McIssac MacLellan. After graduation from Mt. Allison University in 1940, he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force. After 5 years of service, Angus graduated from Pine Hill Divinity Hall and went on to pastorates at Sheet Harbour and Truro. Ill health forced his retirement to the insurance business where he became regional manager of his company.

Angus maintained a strong interest in his university, serving on several Boards and positions, notably as Director of Alumni and Public Relations in 1960. He was the assistant to the minister of Education in New Brunswick in 1965 and President, Atlantic Wing, of the Royal Canadian Airforce Association in 1962.

He leaves his wife, Emily, three sons and seven grandchildren. The Clan and the Scottish community offer condolences at the loss of a good husband, father, educator and clansman.

Helen "Nancy" Murray died June 5 at her home after a long illness, aged 91. She was the widow of Arthur Murray, Sr., and mother of Arthur Murray - State Commissioner for Connecticut for many years. During World War II

she was one of "Rosie's Riveters" at Grumman Aircraft Co. She drove for the blind, led Campfire Girls and Girl

Scouts. She was a member of the Eastern Star.

David Finley Carson, 90, of Citrus Springs, Florida died Thursday, February 24, 1998 at Citrus Memorial Hospital in Inverness, Florida. He was a longtime member of Clan Macpherson Association.

Livingston Everett Bean (MacBean) passed away on June 10, 1998 at the age of 88 years at his home in Pt. Richmond, California.

If you wish to send a check or letters of condolences, mail them to Eoghain Glenn McBean, 57 Vine Ave., Pt. Richmond, CA 94801. He was a faithful member of Clan Chattan USA since the beginning.

Clan MacLachlan is sad to announce these Flowers of the Forest: **Rose MacLachlan** of Planada, California on 4 January 1998; **Thomas Neill Mlachlan** of High Point, NC on 28 February 1998; **Peter MacPherson McLaughlin** of Monroeville, Pennsylvania on 2 June 1997 and **Mary Gladstone Fraser Curtis Thomson** of Florida, 5 May 1998.

Mr. Alan Hugh Akers, Opiki, New Zealand, member of the Clan MacRae Society died February 26, 1998. He was a WWII veteran. Alan died of a massive stroke.

Bob Quinn, former Clan Graham Trustee and St. Giles fund chairman, died last June 15 in Jacksonville, Florida. He and his wife had been members of Clan Graham since the late 1970s. He was buried at West Point with full military honors and the Academy Pipe Band in attendance. In addition to his wife, Juana, he is survived by a son, Col. Robert J. Quinn, III and a grandson, Robert J. Quinn, IV.

Herbert J. Hume of New Durham, New Hampshire, died January 20, 1998 at age 54 as a result of an automobile accident. He was a Clan Home/Hume member since 1984.

Mrs. Sally McColl MacRae Bennett, a proud MacRae for all, her 99 years, died recently.

Ron Oberholtzer died July of 1997. Mr. Oberholtzer was a member of the Clan Shaw Society since October of 1986.

William F. McDuffie, died January 22, 1998 in Medina, Ohio. **William W. Duff** of Shelter Island, NY died February 1998 - announces the Clan MacDuff Society of America.

Very early in the morning on Monday, April 19, **John "Red" Blair** of Greenville, South Carolina passed away at University Hospital in Charlotte. He had spent the weekend doing what he loved, attend the Loch Norman Highland Games.

Red and his sister, Wyomia, were packing up early Sunday morning getting ready for the trip back to Greenville when he was stricken with a heart attack. He passed away at 12:30 AM Monday.

This friendly man from the south will be sadly missed by his sisters and kith and kin and by the Clan Blair members who have spent good times at the Games with him. His request in life was fulfilled when *Amazing Grace* piped him farewell on Wednesday, 22 April.

Rev. Robert M. Douglas passed away November 6, 1997. He is survived by his wife, Sheila. He was a member of Clan Douglas.

Robert Bruce Douglass, DMD, Lt. Col. USAF, ret. passed away in Sacramento, California March 19, 1997. He was 81. He was a member of Clan Douglas.

Douglass Charles Dailey of Roanoke Rapids, NC died October 6, 1997. He was one of Clan Douglas' founding members.

Opta Chug Gitchee Gumees Quay (Julia Helen Nashanany Reeves) died at her home in Suffolk, Virginia last May 9. She received her Potawatomi name at her birth in Forest County, Wisconsin July 1, 1919. At the age of 5 she was separated from her family and sent to an Indian boarding school where she learned, for the first time, to

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That devotion is however is outdone by the love of the tartan itself, a much more classless thing. The homegrown business-suited Scot ignores this at his peril!

National Tartan Day did not of course exactly come out of the blue. It is the culmination of a campaign masterminded by the energetic Miss MacDonald, which had earlier seen states such as California and Pennsylvania adopt April 6 as Tartan Day, following the

example of most Canadian provinces.

Yet the name National Tartan Day is a little uncomfortable to homegrown Scots firmly wedded to modern Scotland, and would also be uncomfortable to Robert Burns who never wore a scrap of tartan.

For my part, I encourage Scots in Scotland to put their doubts behind them and simply accept a God-given marketing gift. That tartan is THE one recognizable icon for Scotland in America has already been tacitly accepted by Scottish Enterprise when, after market research by their American advertising agents, they decided to adorn their American literature with a discreet square of Royal Stewart.

Of all Florida's sunshine cities, Sarasota was probably the best choice for Scotland's Americans to polish up their heritage and find out more about what modern Scotland is all about.

The Florida city's plan was drawn up in Edinburgh in the late 1880s. Col. John Hamilton Gillespie, son of Edinburgh's Lord Provost, who went on to become the first mayor of Sarasota, would still recognize the city today. The street plan is the same, as are the street names - Orange, Lemon and Pineapple - all dreamed up in Edinburgh by those imaginative Scots. The only difference is the gleaming, modern buildings and the air or prosperity.

To listen to many expats, the common thread that runs through the New World Scots is until now has been an inability to pull together for the common good.

The Irish have got it all - Guinness, Irish pubs, shamrocks - and a unique perception across America that they are the Celtic race to

watch. A recent TV mini-series *The Irish in America* simply underlined that point.

Scotland's huge contribution in the early years of the America nation has gone largely unrecognized. "We have got to set the record straight," Duncan MacDonald confided to a fellow delegate in Sarasota. "Duncan, there IS no record," he replied.

One delegate, documentary film maker, David Pritchard, quoted Norman Fiering, the director of the library at Brown University, "So influential were Scots in America affairs in the period from 1600 to 1800 that it is a phenomenon that truly cries out for special treatment."

Pritchard took the floor at Sarasota to paint his vision of what might be done. He said the Scottish story was one of "Learning, Enlightenment and Revolution." It was the story of an independent people who early on "recognized the importance of the individual." The Declaration of Arbroath, as well as outlining the noble principles of the right to freedom, also spelled out the right of the people to choose their own king...

"What a concept," said Pritchard, "The right of the people to choose their own king - and do away with him if he ceases to represent their best interests."

The main Scottish influx to America took place after the Act of Union in 1707, when for the first time the doors were opened wide to the Scots. Many historians regard the Scots, with their free thinking, as being a key factor in the American Colonies dash towards the 1776 revolution, especially after a fresh influx in 1746 following Culloden.

"When one realizes that over half of the representatives to the Constitutional Convention in 1787 were wither Scots-born or of Scottish descent, one begins to get an idea of their influence," said Pritchard.

Pritchard then revealed a proposal for a far-reaching but cohesive symposium to take place a year from this autumn, covering all the discipline created by the Scottish Enlightenment.

"The objective would be to explore the ramifications of the Scottish Enlightenment on the development of America.

This would be a major academic event of world importance."

Additionally, the papers and panel discussions would form the basis of a multi-programme TV series to be aired at the beginning of the new millennium, coincident with the reconvening of the Scottish Parliament for the first time in 293 years.

Currently, said Pritchard, six programmes were envisaged, all the way from Wallace, through Knox, taking in the Auld Alliance and the Clearances, and concluding with Scotland's vast influence on America.

"Finally, as a direct result of both the symposium and the television series, a companion book would be written at a level broad enough for the general public's consumption, yet sophisticated enough for academic text."

"Funding, of course, is the key," concluded Pritchard.

"But happily, the response from the academic community to whom we have already spoken is one of universal enthusiasm and excitement."

"If we can accomplish our objective we will effectively set the record straight for Scotland for the first time since the founding of the American republic and the Confederation of Canada."

Since the symposium, Pritchard has visited Scotland and received great encouragement from the universities there.

Also, with his sights on the millennium: Alan Bain, president of the American-Scottish Foundation. Bain, born in England of Scottish parents, a lawyer and a businessman, put forward the notion that, for the

millennium, the best thing for all Scottish organizations in the United States would be a common umbrella.

As a benchmark for what Scotland should be doing, Bain nominated The Ireland Funds. These took off in 1963 when President Kennedy visited Ireland and with De Valera started the American Irish Foundation. In 1976 the Ireland Fund was founded in Pittsburgh by Tony O'Reilly and Dan Rooney. In 1987 the two funds merged.

Their mission was to be the largest worldwide network for

people of Irish ancestry and reconciliation, arts and culture, education and community development.

Bain called for a new, professional approach from all the Scots. Bain did draw support from the symposium, but the hesitation was there for all to see. There was a fear of territory being trampled on - and a reluctance to give unanimous endorsement to his idea. Yet there is little doubt that he sent the delegates homeward to think again.

If Scotland is to raise its image in North America, as it deserve to, this is the time to do it. But entrenched attitudes have to change.

If you would like to contact Noel Young, write him at 121 Lincoln Park, Marbelhead, MA 01945. Call 781-639-8828. Mr. Young would like to receive news items about the doings of Scots in America. ✕



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Genealogy Friends of Plano Libraries, Inc., is sponsoring this event with support from the Texas Historical Foundation. The fee is \$30 per person prior to September 25. All profits go toward purchasing genealogy materials for the Plano Library.

For more information and a brochure describing the program, fees and accommodations, write GenFriends, PO Box 860477, Plano, TX 75086-0477. Call Mary at 972-669-2434. Email: <GenFriends@aol.com>

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Air Force seeks families of Korean Conflict MIA & unaccounted for

The Department of Defense and the four military services are mounting an intense public outreach effort to locate family members of servicemen who remain unaccounted for from the Korean Conflict.

According to Tom Perry, Chief of the Air Force Missing Persons Branch, "We have begun to open some doors in North Korea, and we need to reestablish contact with the families of our unaccounted for servicemen."

As a result of two negotiated agreements, the US has conducted four joint operations inside North Korea during 1996 and 1997 to seek answers and to locate and recover the remains of US servicemen lost during the Korean Conflict.

In the four operations, the remains of what are believed to be seven American soldiers have been recovered. One has already been identified and returned to his family for burial with full military honors.

Perry added, "As we are able to obtain additional circumstance of loss information or recover remains from North Korea, we'll need to know who the primary next-of-kin is to aid in future identifications. We'd welcome any lead family members can give us."

Air Force Families can call toll free at 1-800-531-5501 or email: <pow-mia@hq.afpc.af.mil> The Army's toll free number is 1-800-892-2490. Call the Navy at 1-800-443-9298 and the USMC is 1-800-847-1597.



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she speak English. Both her parents died a year later, and she remained in the school for a number of years until taken in by another family. Later, she enrolled in nursing school and became a registered nurse at Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia. She joined the Army Nurse Corps as a second lieutenant in January 1942. During World War II she served with the 52nd Evacuation Hospital in New Caledonia and with the 231st Station Hospital near Norwich, England.

She served on active duty during the Korean Conflict, stationed at Percy Jones General Hospital in Battle Creek, Michigan. She was discharged as a first lieutenant. Newly married, she traveled

with her husband, Joseph Reeves during his military assignment.

Besides her husband, Colonel Reeves, she is survived by three sons and a daughter and two granddaughters.

Her ashes were interred at the Quantico, Virginia National Cemetery on May 14. A military escort presented Colonel Reeves with an American flag to honor Julia's service to her country.

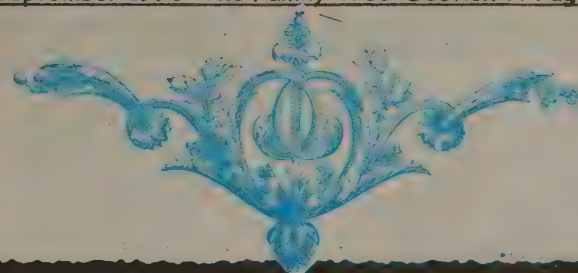
All of the children received Indian names and one granddaughter bears the same Indian name as her grandmother, Opta Chug Gitchee Gumee Quay.

Julia Reeves was a member of the Clan MacArthur Society.

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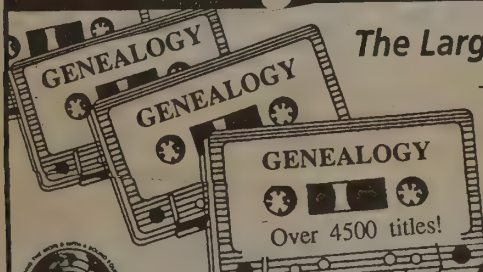


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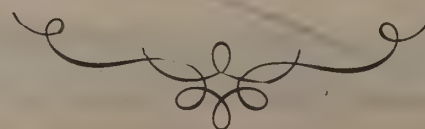
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Sue-Ann Jackson wins Skeleton hunt! Carol Tegreeny, Martha MacLeod win too

That boney guy couldn't hide from Sue-Ann Jackson! This hunter from Billings, Montana followed that skinniest one to the pages of *The Family Tree* to win a gift certificate from the real Skeleton Closet (see ad elsewhere in these pages).

Carol Tegreeny of Edgewater, Florida and Martha MacLeod of Aberdeen, North Carolina were not far behind and found that skeleton lurking in our pages to win CD's from Eric Duncan and a CD set from The Ministry of Sight and Sound...plus a handsome ring from German Hill Farms!

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We congratulate all of these

clever folk. The boney one could not hide.

He's lurking here this time, too!

Yep, our skeleton is hiding in these pages. You can find him quite easily I think...(look up! look up!) if he does not escape from where your editor saw him a few minutes ago!

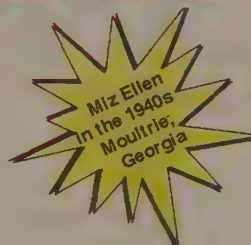
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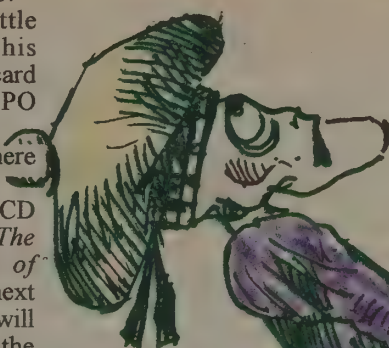
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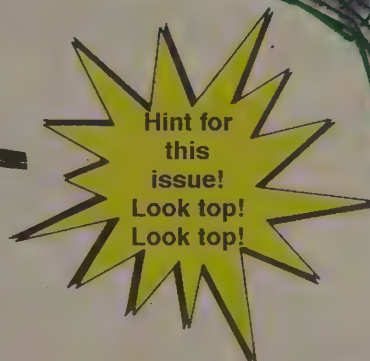


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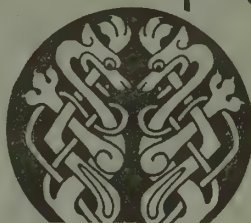
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Clans work together to celebrate Prince Henry's 600th anniversary

It was in 1398, six centuries ago, that Gunns, Sinclairs and many other Scottish clansmen sailed together across the Atlantic to North America. Their exploration helped to inspire others, including Christopher Columbus, to make similar voyages in the following years.

In February, 1988, at the Scottish Weekend in Moultrie, Georgia, Pete Cummings, Chair of the Prince Henry Project Committee and David Bouschor, President of Clan Sinclair, met with the new President of the Clan Gunn Society of North America, James Gunn and his charming wife. The Prince Henry Project Committee, offered any of its promotion materials and all joined together in planning events. This meeting was most cordial and productive. A list of all planned events for the next few months will be included here.

Regional Commissioners and members from both Clans Sinclair and Gunn have shared enthusiasm about the 1398 voyage. Several have joined the Prince Henry Project Committee as Bronze Members. Their ideas and suggestions have helped in the formulation of the celebration plans.

Mary Selver (Clan Sinclair Commissioner and member of our Clan Gathering Committee) serves as the primary contact with Westford. She has worked with the Westford Knight Committee, Jo Fletcher Library, Westford Museum and town offices to ensure a warm welcome for our participants in the 600th celebration. Headquarters for both Clans will be the Westford Regency Hotel and Convention Center. The townspeople of Westford have extended their welcome to Clan Sinclair and Clan Gunn and have been most helpful in coordinating our activities there.

The schedule of celebration events at the New Hampshire Highland Games and at Westford is complete, subject to last minute changes. The Prince Henry Project Committee is actively involved in finalizing all details. Major efforts are being made by Elmer Eldridge (Clan Sinclair Commissioner and PHP Committee), Dan Hahn (PHP Committee) and Mary Selver (Clan Sinclair Commissioner and PHP Committee) to coordinate with the New Hampshire Highland Games staff. Clan Sinclair and Clan Gunn will be recognized as "Honoured Clans." The Right Honorable Malcolm Sinclair Earl of Caithness, Hereditary Chief of Clan Sinclair, will be representing the Clan in the ceremonies.

Overall, it is obvious that Prince Henry's spirit of "harmonious diversity" has guided the planning process. Many people with divergent opinions and origins are joining together for the common goal of recognizing the 1398 voyage as a significant event in our history. The 600th anniversary is bringing Sinclairs, Gunns and all Scots together with great pride.

More information from: <<http://www.mids.org/sinclair/600>> or <<http://www/netcom.com/~jolin/600thll.html>> Contact the Prince Henry Project Committee, PO Box 158, Worcester, MA 01613. USA. Call 508-835-2900.

Events:

- * **August 8, 1998** — Central New York Highland Games, Syracuse, NY. Call 508-865-2273.
- * **August 15, 1998** — Maine Highland Games, Brunswick, ME. Call 603-423-5996.
- * **August 22, 1998** — Queschee Scottish Festival, Quechee, VT. Call 603-423-5996.
- * **August 30, 1998** — Capital District Highland Games, Altamont, NY. Call 508-865-2273.
- * **September 17-20, 1998** — New Hampshire Highland Games, Lincoln, NH. Call 603-742-5606.
- * **September 21-23, 1998** — Clan Gathering, Westford & Exeter. Call 603-423-5996.
- * **September 29, 1998** — Celtic Classic Festival, Bethlehem, PA. Call 215-628-4328.

Dancing,

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It is too bad that nowadays this is danced incorrectly, thus losing the frame that Hugh Foss devised. Correctly, there is no turning back, corners pass each other then set to the person facing them, not the person they have just passed. This gives a better idea of a rectangle, than the current turn back and then forward on the

corners.

There are many more examples. I've only touched on this subject in the space allowed. My point here is to introduce the idea that Scottish Country Dancing is based on excellent music with roots going back three centuries at least.

More next issue.



Clan Gregor, SE US Chapter, has new Vice-Chairman, Judge Tom Dillon

Judge Tom Dillon has been appointed to the office of Vice Chairman of the Clan Gregor Society, Southeast US Chapter to occupy the office vacated by the death of Matt Thomaston.

Judge Tom Dillon served in the Georgia State Judiciary for 24 years. He is now retired from the bench practicing trial law in Woodstock, Georgia.

He traces his Gregor ancestry on our father's side to George Niblack and Mary Wilcox, who were Gregors residing in Clackmannan, Scotland, and their son, William Niblack. William was a Jacobite survivor. After the final defeat of the Jacobites at Culloden, he traveled to the colony of Pennsylvania in

America. He and his sons fought for the American Revolution in the colony of North Carolina.

Judge Dillon traces his Gregor ancestry on his mother's side to Richard Clark, an Ulsterman, who also came to the colony of Pennsylvania shortly before the American Revolution. Clark was a professional bear hunter in the Appalachian mountains and a member of the Pennsylvania militia. Because of his knowledge of the terrain, he was assigned to Colonel Shelby as an adjutant in the South Carolina militia for the battle of Kings Mountain.



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Two Ferguson brothers from the Scottish Borders...

Margaret Laverick, Galashiels, Scotland



This is a request for information about two brothers from the Scottish Borders, in fact they are my Granny's wee brothers. She was rather proud of them in her own reserved fashion. Allow me to introduce them to you.

James Clinton Ferguson was born at Abbey St. Bathans, in Berwickshire, on 29th March 1874. Abbey St. Bathans is a mere hamlet set in delightful countryside, with the river Whiteadder runny by. In the 12th century, twelve nuns and a prioress founded a priory there. I'm not sure where the Abbey part of the name came from as there is no trace of one there. The priory is long gone as well. Good stone from ruins was used to build other properties, from dikes, pig styes to cottages - so no doubt that is also what happened to the ruined priory.

James's father was William Ferguson, a forester working on the big estate there, among the woodlands, perhaps seeing to tree planting, as well as keeping an eye on the wild life, and shooting for the gentry, the owners. Jame's mother was Isabella Clinton Ferguson, born in a wee village of Eckford, near Kelso. She married William at Eckford, her home, as is the custom. She was a domestic servant before marriage - like most young girls in her class.

Sadly, Isabella died at the young age of 38 and I suspect the cause would be the scourge of many of those times - TB - tuberculosis. This left James, age 13, and the other younger members of the family to be brought up by my Granny.

By 1891, William Ferguson, now a widower, moved his family to Wedderburn Castle, near Durs in Berwickshire, to work as a gamekeeper, so by now James was 17 and working as a general labourer on the estate.

The next fact I do know is that on 12th November 1897, at the age of 26, he married Maggie (Margaret) Anne White, in Glasgow. He was working in St. Enochs Hotel, possibly in the catering side, and she was working as a domestic servant in the rather posh area of Glasgow Kelvinside. Perhaps, around

this point in their young lives, they gave serious thought to the future and how to better their standard of living and for their future family. Where better to go than either Canada or America, the lands of opportunity?

James and Maggie moved to Vancouver and settled there and I believe opened a bakery. I am sure they had at least one son, perhaps two, but whether they were born here or there I cannot tell.

I do know that when the first World War broke out, James returned to Scotland to join us, possibly in the Kings Own Scottish Borderers Regiment, leaving Maggie to run the bakery and bring up the family. Fortunately, he was unscathed and returned home safe to his family after the war ended.

Whether it is before or after this time, I know not, but they moved to San Diego and I know the name of the shop was "Ferguson's Bakery, 826 Broadway, San Diego, California." I have an old business card with the address, quoting "better baking" beside a drawing of a baker and a lady.

Sometime after that, Maggie died, and James wrote to my Granny to tell her the sad news, but of course that letter has been destroyed...but, I have another letter, undated, to Granny from him, a widower. The address is 5056 Marlborough Drive, San Diego, 16, California. In it he tells Granny that he has been away most of the summer, so obviously he is retired by now and he has been to Honolulu. He also states that he is still at the same address as the sale at Marlborough did not go through for various reasons. So, instead of sitting around, he got another car and drove north, fishing en route to Prince George, bypassing Vancouver by about 50 miles. The letter says, "...haven't been there since Jim died." Could this be his son who died? I wonder.

He went on to mention his brother, Will, who had stayed there at Fort George, but more of that brother later.

Then, James drove to San Francisco, stored the car there and flew to Honolulu for a month - how I wish he had dated that letter!

I do not even know when he died and, oh, so many things I would love to know to add to my family history books, for future generations. How I wish, when I was a wee lassie, I had listened more intently to Granny, as we did have so many great conversations. But, of course, you do not think, oh well, if I forget, I can always ask again...never thinking that they do not live forever.

Usually it is folks from Canada and America who come over here searching for ancestors and descendants. Here I am the opposite way looking for information about my descendants. If James and Maggie had one or two sons, they in turn would have had families - perhaps around my own age group. Where are they?

William and Isabella in all, had five bairns and it is indeed the last born who has always interested me. He was William Ferguson, named after his father, but called Will by the family, born at Abbey St. Bathans, 13th May 1879. When Isabell, his mother, died, he would have been only 8 years old, so this is perhaps why Granny had a "soft spot in her heart" for him. She really brought him up and took over her Mother's task.

I do know when the family were at Wedderburn Castle, Will was 11 and at school. Perhaps he also worked alter as a general labourer on the estate too. Perhaps when his brother, James, and his wife, Maggie, decided to emigrate to Canada, he also thought of a brighter future there too. Who knows?

Whenever it was, he too left the family home, a young lad, keen to do well. My own thoughts put the date of Will and James sailing to Canada ca 1900, as James would have been married then for a couple of years and Will would be 22 years old.

Will also returned home to fight in the First World War, and also probably joined the KOSB'sKing's Own Scottish Borderers. He too remained fit and well throughout and returned to Canada.

According to Granny, Will went out as a Pioneer to British

Columbia, namely to Fort George, where he seemed to claim squatter's rights to land and lakes. Perhaps he was not allowed to buy land as he was a bachelor? He built himself a wooden home and trading post in the wilds, rather like a wooden shack with front verandah and balustrade. I remember seeing the photo Granny showed me with such pride - of Will standing in front of his handiwork. He was a serious-looking young man with swept back dark hair and thick beard, in fact, the double of his father, my great grandfather.

He prospered and worked hard, and many times managed to send home money to Granny to assist her, as he told her, he was doing very well. He was trading with the Indian trappers, furs, etc. His life was simple, he said, and told Granny he did not require the money he sent home to her.

Letters were not frequent, but one came telling her he was now in a business partnership with a Russian lad and that they were indeed doing well. No word of his name or where he came from or anything.

I could guess, sometime in the 1930s, a letter came to Granny from Canada, as she was now next of kin, informing her of the death of Will Ferguson at Fort George. His trading post was found in ashes, burned to the ground, nothing left and no sign of the Russian business partner. He had disappeared. Needless to say, no sign of stock or cash as Will did keep his cash there until he went into Fort George.

How did he die? Who set fire to the trading post? Where did the money go? And, the stock? Where was the Russian? I do not even know where Will is buried. I don't know if there was enough money to bury him properly. Could he be in a pauper's grave? I hope not. Questions. Questions. I am looking for answers.

This seems to be one case when the Mountie did not get his man! I suppose as he only had squatter's rights to land and lakes, was unmarried, and no children, it all reverted - even Lake Ferguson - to the state.

As you can imagine, it hit

Granny very hard. She kept her thoughts hidden from me.

To lose her wee brother was bad enough, but in these suspicious circumstances, was ten times worse for her. To this day, it remains a mystery and one that intrigues me.

Granny was a great influence on me during my formative years, as we discussed many tomes from her heroes - Walter Scott, James Hogg, Grace Darling - to life in the past - the way the gentry lived...how I wish I had written it down.

I have continued to be fascinated with past life, ordinary living over the years - anything old with a story and, of course, my own family and even wider. In fact, I have come to know them personally, plus I visit places where they stayed, worked, etc., to take photos for my books, just anything to fill in my giant jigsaw of my family. It is time consuming, and you need lots of patience, but oh boy, it is so worth it all! When I do find some tiny fragment during a long, tedious search, I have been known to shout out, "Yippee, I found it!"...in the quiet of the archives room at St. Mary's, Selkirk - or at the records office at Berwick upon Tweed.

I doubt if I will ever get my work finished as there are so many varied and inviting routes to follow. I have even now made a start on writing my own childhood and my parents - my school life, wartime here, games we played as it is so different from today's bairns. They are missing out on so much. Suffice to say, I feel fortunate to have lived such a happy and contented life.

So much has happened world wide since I was born in 1931, then it was much slower and an easier pace of life, things have indeed changed in all areas. I am not sure whether I really like it all...or not. I have reservations about the so called "progress" of today.

I shall continue my search into the past and everything I do find, to me is a wee gem. If I find out about great uncles James Clinton Ferguson and Will Ferguson, their lives, their deaths and possible

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(SO 46) New Hampshire & Vermont: 1850. Our reprint of Thomas Cowperthwait's *Map of New Hampshire & Vermont* was reproduced from an 1850 original and shows the states divided into counties - 10 in New Hampshire and 14 in Vermont. Railway lines and overland roads are also shown, as are rivers, towns and settlements.

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(SO 47) Connecticut: 1856. Charles Desilver's *Map of Connecticut*, first issued in 1856, is rich in detail, showing the state divided into counties and townships. Small towns are shown, as are railroad lines and overland roads. In addition, the map locates courthouses, churches and taverns.

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(BO 20) Philadelphia: 1872 & 1879. This pair of 19th century urban plans will be welcome additions to the libraries of those researchers working on families with Philadelphia roots. The earlier map, issued by A. J. Johnson in 1872, shows the city divided into wards, and identifies cemeteries, some suburban areas and ferries to New Jersey. It also includes an inset map of greater Philadelphia. The later map, issued by S. A. Mitchell in 1879 and entitled *A Plan of the City of Philadelphia and Camden*, also shows wards and cemeteries, railway lines, ferries and identifies many public buildings in the downtown area.

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(RO 26) Southern Upper Saxony and Lusatia Circa 1765. First drawn by Thomas Kitchin about 1765, this map, entitled *A Map of the Southern Part of The Circle of Upper Saxony with the Marquises of Upper and Lower Lusatia*, depicts the area from Gotha, Eisenach and Coburg in the west to the Bohemian/Silesian border in the east, and the area along the Elbe from the city of Magdeburg in the north to the Erzgebirge region in the south. Useful for sorting out the small principalities and duchies in this part of Saxony and Thuringia in the mid - 18th century.

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(MO 37) Poland: 1817. N. R. Hewitt's map of Poland was first issued in London in 1817. Showing Poland divided into its internal "palatinates", the map has rich detail, locating cities, small towns and villages. Because this map contains different cartographic information - and many different village and town names - the researcher will find it a fine companion piece to **(MO 28) Poland - 1799** by John Cary (below).

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(MO 38) The Russian Baltic Provinces: 1914. Drawn by the cartographer G. Peltier, this unusual map was first published as a supplement to the French newsmagazine *L'Illustration* in 1914 to illustrate the eastern theatre of war. It shows the Baltic area - present day Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, northeast Poland (north of Lodz and east of Thom and Danzig) and Belarus - in

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Seeking parents and family of **THOMAS RICHARD BRYANT** born SC/AL 16 Nov. 1853. He died 13 August 1926 in SC. His parents may have lived in AL. He married **MARGARET E. ADAIR** and lived in Greenville Co., SC. Reply to **Patsy Coble, 213 Pickens Dr., Greenville, SC 29611.**

Missing are my great grandparents. **WADE HAMPTON HARPER**, who in 1870 was 22 years old and married **MARY BREWER BAGWELL** who was 18 years old in 1870. They lived in Gwinnett Co., GA. At that time they had two children, **HENRY**, four years old and **ELIZABETH**, 1 year old. My grandmother, **EMMA TULULA HARPER**, born 3 Feb 1871 and married **JONATHAN HENRY BEARD** December 22, 1997. **MARY'S** mother was **ELIZA BAGWELL** and had a sister named **SUSAN** who was 13 in 1870 and **ELIZA** was 36. **MARY** died and **WADE HAMPTON HARPER** married again and was living in Norcross, GA at the time of his death. I would love to hear from anyone about anything that can help locate my missing family. **Imogene Beard Wells, 305 Hudson Ave., Ashburn, GA 31714-5237.**

My name is **Stan Graham**. My mother's maiden name was **CUMMINGS** and this is where my Scottish heritage comes from. Can you help me with my Scottish family? My grandfather was a **CUMMINGS** and I've been told my grandmother was a Cherokee. Please write **Stan Graham, 16 Chickasaw Place, Holiday Island, AR 72631.**

SEACEY: If you have any information on this family, please write **Vincent Walsh, 8191 Sturbridge Ct., Brookville, FL 34613-7521.**

ARCHIBALD McDUFFIE, born 28 November 1820 in North Carolina, where? He had nine brothers and sisters, **NATHANIEL DUNCAN**, born 1818, **JAMES MONROE**, born 1819, **MARY JANE**, born 1822, **GEORGE**,

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Seeking information on parents of **JOHN SHIELDS** born 22 November 1797, South Carolina and died 11 July 1852 in Mississippi. He married **MARY BRADLEY** 15 December 1816. Please contact **Margery C. Brown, 412 North Columbus, Louisville, MS 39339.**

Seeking anyone researching **JOHN RICE, SR.**, born ca 1760 and died 1844 in Clark Co., KY. He married **JANET COCKRELL** in Leesbury, Loudoun Co., VA on 3 April 1797. Daughters married into the **FOX** family (**BOAZ FOX, JOHN WILLIAM FOX, SR.**, etc.). Contact **William P. Rice, 2728 Main St., Rowlett, TX 75088.** Email: <billrice6@juno.com>

Searching for information on **JOHN DUGAN (DUGANNE?)** born 1815 and married to **MARGARET**. Their son was **PATRICK** born 1848 in Oneida, New York. Daughters were **ANN, ELIZA, JANE, THERESA, ANASTALEON**. **JOHN's** father or uncle was probably **THOMAS DUGAN** born 1799. Contact **Kathryn McIlreath, Box 711, Wrightwood, CA 92397.**

Need help with US Navy Commodore, **DELMOR STEECE** (Iowa and Minnesota) and his widow, **ALICE CARRIE MORRISSEY** (1857-1915). **Richard Morrissey, 28656 Murrieta, Sun City (Riverside Co.), CA 92586.**

BARNES, TUBERFIELD. Looking for any information regarding this person/ and/or anyone with a connection with the name **TUBERFIELD/ TURBERFIELD**...possibly from North or South Carolina. Please write **Peggy Barnes Fox, 66 Delmore Dr., Hillsboro, TX 76645.** Call 254-582-8127.

Want families of **WILLIAM B. GREEN** born 14 August 1814, North Carolina, died 1862 in Kentucky. He was a Confederate soldier. His wife, **CHRISTIAN BASS**, was born 25 June 1825 in Alabama and died 29 January 1888 in Arkansas. They were married 20 May 1844. Their sons: **ARTHUR THOMAS, MANSON**

DELEWARE, FRANCIS MARION, WILLIAM BAZEL. Daughters: **MARTHA CLEMENTINE, MARY ELIZA, NANCY ANN PRUDENCE, RUTHA ELIZABETH**. Please write **James F. Glnnett, 12241 Sulphur Springs Road, Pine Bluff, AR 71603.**

Need parents of **JOHN MARTIN** who died 1760, Granville County, North Carolina and of his wife, **RACHEL**. I need the maiden name and parents of **SARAH** who married their son, **JAMES MARTIN** (1745-1785). **SARAH** remarried **RICHMOND TERRELL** and moved to Union County, South Carolina. I need the date and place of birth and death and parents of **DELILAH HARRINGTON** who married **GABRIEL MARTIN**. He was a widower when he died in Franklin County, Georgia in 1848. They probably married in Granville or Bute (later Warren) County, North Carolina. Need date and place of birth and parents of **DEBORAH NEWBERRY** who married **WILLIAM THAMES** in Cumberland County, North Carolina 1811. Please write **Karen Kay Esberger, PO Box 116, Midlothian, TX 76065.**

Seeking parents of **CHARLES BLANCHARD ANDERSON** born ca 1796 England and died between 18 February 1833 and 5 February 1834. He is buried at Hampden Sydney, Prince Edward County, Virginia. He married **SAVANNA SARAH NANCE** before 1830 in Virginia. She was born 2 July 1799 and died 20 October 1853 and is buried in Boydton, Mecklenburg County, Virginia. She married **THOMAS ALPIN WALTHALL** 8 June 1835 Prince Edward County, VA. Also seeking **JOHN HOLDERFIELD**, born 1817 Ohio and died after 1880 and married **REBECCA FISHER** 7 December 1837 Clermont, Ohio. She was born 1810-1820 and died before 1880. Also seeking **JAMES MAYTUN** born 1814 England and died 6 July 1867 Cincinnati, Ohio and married **SARAH** born March 1811, England and died 16 December 1894 in Cincinnati. Also seeking **WILLIAM ORR** born 1833 Ohio and is buried at Cincinnati. His father was born in Ireland and mother born in Ohio. He married **LIDIA ?** born 1832 Ohio. Her father was born in Ohio and mother born Indiana. Please write **Vik Anderson Black, 150 Allen Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075.**

Seeking parents, siblings and birthplace of **JOB BENTON** born ca 1744 in North Carolina. He lived in Brunswick City, North Carolina. **HANNAH LINC (JOB's wife)**, may have been married before. What was **HANNAH's** maiden name, birthplace, parents? They were probably all born in North Carolina.

Please write **Mary B. Platt, PO Box 73, Jennings, FL 32053-0073.** E m a i l : <treefind@suwaneevalley.net>

NATHANIEL TILDEN born 1853 Tenterden, Kent, England and died 1641 Scituate, Massachusetts. He was the husband of **LYDIA HUCKSTEP** born 1587-88 Tenterden, Kent, England. Seeking information on unproven claim of royal descent for **NATHANIEL TILDEN**. Please write **Nancy Watkins, PO Box 2555, Gulfport, MS 39505.**

Seeking information **WILLIAM MADDISON CHISM** born 1823 and moved to Texas from Winchester, Kentucky about 1870 with wife, **FRANCES**, and seven children. Have funeral notice of **FRANCES CHISEM**, Richmond, Texas March 2, 1905 at home of **H.F. ULLRICH**. Please write **Doris Rodgers James, 97 Timberton Dr., Hattiesburg, MS 39401.**

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Seeking parents of **ZARA STUBBS** born 1810-1812 somewhere in South Carolina and died 1863 Alabama. He witnessed a deed in Coweta Co., Georgia in 1832. She was single and had 50 slaves in 1840 census in Marengo County, Alabama. He married **CAROLINE LOUISE COOPER** 7 July 1845 and had 8 children. Please contact **Pat Rolfe, 732 Stone Mountain Drive, Conroe, TX 77302.**

Need information **THOMAS COATS** born Glasgow ca 1670s. His wife was **SARAH CRAMER**. Sons: **THOMAS, JOSEPH** migrated to South Carolina 1710-1718. Contact **Caroline Coats, 440 Dorchester Dr., Venice, FL 34293.** <cjc@ewol.com>

Seeking parents and birthplace of **JOHN HOUSTON** born ca 1835. He was orphaned and raised by **HAWKINS GREGORY** in Conway County, Arkansas and married **MARY ARNN**. He died 1908. I am also seeking information on **GEORGE SUTTER** who resided in York County, Pennsylvania during the

American Revolution. His daughter **SARAH** married **WILLIAM BLAIR**. Reply to **Charles Mitchell, PO Box 41, Clarendon, AR 72029-0041.**

Am seeking information on **JOHN FERGUSON** - parents, siblings, marriages, etc., born about 1765 in NY - probably Saratoga. He died in Wayne County, New York 1840. His wife was **MARGARET** - possibly **MARGRIETJE BUYS/BOICE**, born ca 1764 in Kinderhook, Columbia County, New York. Please write **Bob Ferguson, 730 Uvas Court, San Jose, CA 95123.**

JAMES FLETCHER born 1810, Ohio, married **CATHERINE SOURS** 13 April 1836 in Marion County, Indiana. Need **JAMES** parents, siblings, birthplace and place and date of death. Please write **Stacie Gibson, 3007 Lund Ave., #5, Rockford, IL 61109.**

Searching for descendants of **BERT SHADDUCK**, turn of the century songwriter/poet. **Wayne W. Daniel, 2943 Appling Drive, Chamblee, GA 30341-5113.** Call 770-455-9348. <mydaniel@mindspring.com>

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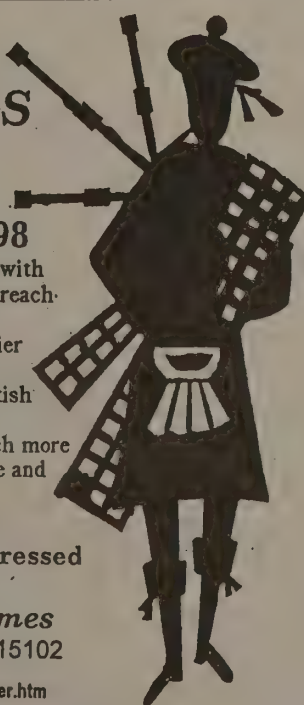
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Al Fayed's son, Dodi, died in the crash and Welshman Rees-Jones, from near Oswestry, was severely injured. He had been offered a job for life by the Harrod's boss, but he decided to resign in order to move forward with his life.

The wreck last year left the ex-paratrooper/bodyguard in a coma. He was in a coma for some time and has previously told of his feelings of guilt for being the only survivor of the accident.

He is still receiving treatment and has recently had more surgery to correct a metal pin which had been inserted into his arm.

With thanks to *Y Drych*.
For subscription information, write Box 8089, St. Paul, MN 55108.

Did you know that there is a "Wooden Stonehenge?" Confederate Navy ship found!

Wooden "Stonehenge" discovered in Wales

You may travel to the Museum of Welsh Life in St. Fagans, near Cardiff, to see "Woodhenge" reconstructed.

Known as Woodhenge, the ancient site was discovered near Sarny Byrn Caled during the construction of the Welshpool relief road. Dating back to 2,000 BCE, it is thought that it may have been the prototype for Stonehenge.

Remains of the circle were spotted in a flat, ploughed field from the air. During exceptionally dry conditions it showed up as 20 dark green marks signifying deep pits, with a larger dark patch in the middle. Each of the pits held thick oak posts, which stood around three metres high. The center was made up of six intersected circles and in the middle, the remains of priests, overlords or members of the aristocracy.

Flint arrowheads were

discovered there and there is a possibility that the circle marked the site of human sacrifice.

The reconstructed Woodhenge can be seen in a woodland clearing behind the site of the Celtic Village at the Museum of Welsh Life and was unveiled at the launch of a series of folklore related activities at the museum.

With thanks to *Y Drych*.

CSN *Lela* wreck found off Wales coast

The wreck of a blockade-running Confederate ship which sank off the North Wales coast in 1865 was located recently.

The ship, the *Lela*, was a 250 foot long paddle steamer and was bound for Bermuda carrying 700 tons of coal. From there, she was to take another cargo to Wilmington, North Carolina, but she hit rough seas off the Great Orme

near Liandudno and decided to turn back. It was decided to abandon ship and 18 crew members, including the captain, were lost. The lives of a further 22 crew were saved. Seven lifeboat crew members, attempting to save the *Lela's* crew, were lost.

When it was launched in Liverpool, the *Lela* was known as *Ship 290* - the anonymous number used as a disguise and protection from Union spies.

The wreck was located by Keith Hurley, a Chester diver who had earlier discovered the wreck of the submarine *Resurgam*, the first mechanically powered submarine, which sank off Rhyl 100 years ago.

The wreck of the *Lela* will be impossible to raise at present, but the wreck of the submarine may be recovered and kept at Rhyl as a tourist attraction.

With thanks to *Y Drych*.

Southern Living features St. Andrews Presbyterian College Pipe Band

A five-page article in the June issue of *Southern Living Magazine* features the Scottish Heritage Center and the award-winning St. Andrews Pipe Band of the St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg, North Carolina. The article includes three photographs of members of the Pipe Band tuning and playing their bagpipes, along with quotations from Bill Caudill, the band's director and director of the college's Scottish Heritage Center.

In addition, the *Southern Living* article discusses Valle Crucis, North Carolina, where the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games and the North American Piping Academy are held. The article also discusses the strong Scottish tradition in North Carolina as well as the Presbyterian heritage which the Scots brought with them in their immigration to the states.

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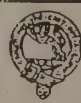
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Glimpses of Old-World Scotland

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Since the publication of my last article in the June/July issue I have received several letters about the travel reports of early visitors to Scotland whose reports evidenced negative experiences. Clothing styles and mannerisms will, over time, modify and change. Human nature appears to be constant. Today's modern traveler, from impressions viewpoint, differs little from the 1500s and 1600s Scotland visitor.

James Howel edited a small pamphlet which was printed in London in 1649. It was titled "A Perfect Description of the People and Country of Scotland." The author relates:

"First, for the country, I just confess it is good for those that possess it, and too bad for others, to be at the charge to conquer it. The air might be wholesome but for the stinking people that inhabit it; the ground might be fruitful had they wit to manure it."

Apparently, James Howel, when he visited Scotland, had a bad experience. Today's vacationer can become vexed. Your arrival is marked by the fact that they have no records of your reservations. They are booked up, but find you an unused room over the entrance way. The air conditioner, if any, is out of order. The bed is not up to standard...springwise. In the dining room you have to obtain an act of Parliament to obtain a glass of ice water. Your first postcards to home will reflect those disappointments.

James Howel continues: "Their beasts be generally small, women only excepted, of which sort there are none greater in the whole world. There is a great store of fowl too, as fowl houses, fowl shee, fowl linen, fowl dishes and pots, fowl trenchers and napkins, with which sort we have been forced to say as the children did with their fowl in the wilderness. They have good store of fish too, and good for those that can eat it raw; but if it come once into their hands, it is worse than if it were three

days old; for their butter and cheese, I will not meddle withal at this time, nor no man else at anytime that loves his life.

They have great store of deer but they are so far from the place where I have been, that I rather believe than go to disprove it: I confess all the deer I met withal, was dear lodgings, dear horse-meat and dear tobacco and English beer.

As for fruit, for their grandsire Adam's sake they never planted any; and for other trees, had Christ been betrayed in this country (as doubtless he should, had he come as a stranger), Judas had sooner found the grace or repentance, than a tree to hang himself on.

They have hills, wherein they say is much treasure, but they shew none of it; nature hath only discovered to them some mines of coal, to what and he created them. I saw little grass but in their pottage; the thistle is not given of naught, for it is the fairest flower in their garden. The word hay is Heathen-Greek unto them; neither man nor beast knows what it means.

James Howel's publication continues on for quite a number of pages. One can easily imagine, when he returned home and related his experiences to friends (who would never personally visit Scotland)...the disoriented images he endowed.

Howel and other visitors to Scotland were in agreement about their experiences in the "stinking town of Edinburgh" known affectionately as "Edina." At an earlier date, London and Edinburgh vied for the title of championship of filthiness and general insanitation...potency and varied smells. In her odorous heyday Edinburgh could never boast of such an artery of putrefaction as the Fleet River, whose effluvia did so clog the neighboring airs...likened by some to the incense of sacrificial burnings of adjacent altars. Today, Fleet Street, the location of our modern newspapers covers the

clogged Fleet River - which is no more than an underground drain, runs from Ludgate Hill, in front of St. Paul's to the beginning of the Strand. The Fleet River sewer was completed some three years before Howel's publication. While London built more sanitary sewers the inhabitants of Edina evidenced no great anxiety to rid the city of its soil and stench. As time went by Edina became more attached to the filth of human soil and by the mid 1600s the battle of cleanliness had advanced backward! Some blame the City Council of Magistrates - which is not completely justified.

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Central Texas Scottish Festival set for September

The 10th annual Days of the Scots will be held September 25-27, 1998 at John Knox Ranch, located just off Highway 32 between Austin and San Antonio. The festival will feature Scottish seminars, singers, Highland and Scottish Country Dancers, pipe and drum bands, sheep dog and athletics demonstrations, Scottish Clan booths and merchants.

For more information, call or write Days of the Scots, 1661 John Knox Rd., Fischer, TX 78623-9720. Call 830-935-4568. <johnknox@gvtc.com>

Ferguson Brothers,

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descendants, there would be a treasure chest FULL of gems!

I stay in a small retirement house in a bustling Border town of Galashiels. I am a Borderer first and foremost. Scotland itself is a beautiful country with so much to offer a visitor, from the superb elegant city of Edinburgh where I was born...to the Highlands, so rugged and wild...and then the tranquil Islands. I grant you, we do not always have good weather...but, who cares? Just put on the mac and go for it!

The Borders are special and unique as here were debatable lands, between us and the English. Battles were bitter

Foundation for Scottish and Celtic Studies in America proposed

Under the direction of Dr. James R. MacDonald, who holds a doctorate in Scottish Studies from the University of Edinburgh in Scotland (1993), a nonprofit foundation - the Foundation for Scottish and Celtic Studies in America is being formed.

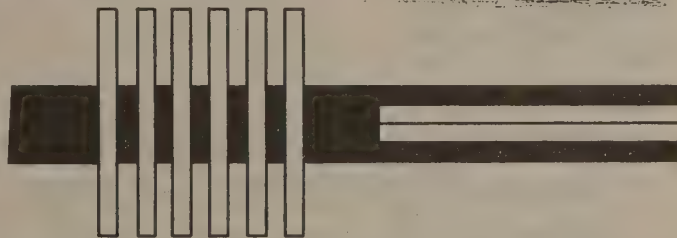
Donations to this foundation will enable the establishment of a center which will house offices, classroom space and a resource library. From this center programs will be offered to interested colleges and universities, continuing education courses will be coordinated and to provide consulting services to individuals and organizations.

Dr. MacDonald is a fluent Scottish Gaelic speaker and is an experienced Gaelic instructor. In addition to having taught classes at both the University of Aberdeen in Scotland and Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, he is in demand as a Gaelic instructor for short courses and for Highland games throughout the US.

A Scottish/Celtic Studies program could offer courses in one or more of the following topics: Celtic civilization, Celtic music and song, Celtic folklore, the history of Presbyterianism, Emigrant Scottish traditions, Scottish Gaelic.

The studies program could offer adult education courses to the community at large or through established programs such as Elderhostel and Continuing Education. The studies program could also promote Gaelic as a living language.

If you would like more information, please contact Dr. James R. MacDonald, PO Box 46, Wytheville, Virginia 24382. <celtic@naxs.com>



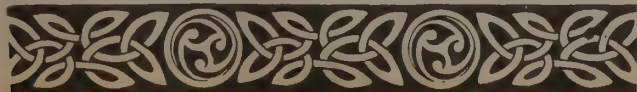
and even families fought and stole from each other. Today, thank goodness, we are civilized and it is only on the rugby pitch that each Border town goes "to war."

Each town is very proud and rightly so. Each has something different to offer. We were once famed for our knitware and superb tweeds - sadly, these are now on the decline as everywhere. Jobs are hard to find for the young. Never the less, Borderers do not let things get them down, as could be seen last week when we had

our annual common riding...but, that is another story.

Why not see for yourself. Come over to our Scottish Borders. Seeing is believing. At the same time, you could see just where your ancestors came from. You would be most welcome. Do you detect a hint that I am, perhaps, just a wee bit biased?

Please write Margaret Laverick, 75 Kingsknowes Village, Tweed Road, Galashiels, TD1 3EU Scotland, UK.





Family Reunions * Gatherings * Family Meetings



Blauvelt Reunion set for Albany, New York

To commemorate the arrival of their ancestor, Gerrit Hendricksen, to the New World 360 years ago, the 1998 Blauvelt annual meeting and reunion will be held in Albany, New York - which was the site of Hendricksen's landing.

The event will be held 18-19 September with family events, meetings, tours, receptions, dinner, etc. For more information, contact Mrs. Doris Blauvelt, 3367 W. 113th Ave., Westminster, CO 80030. Reservations must be made by 4 September, please.

Lingo reunion planned for October

The Lingo Reunion is planned for October 1999 when the descendants of Yerby Lingo will get together at Biggs Chapel Church at Nuthen, Arkansas near Murfreesboro on October 31st. Bring a sack lunch and your Lingo history.

More information is available from Shirley Hampton at 870-226-5349 in Warren, Arkansas or from Thelma Simon at 870-285-3746, Murfreesboro, Arkansas. You may call Bill Lingo at 817-780-1186 in Belton, Texas or Randal Lingo at 210-649-2830.

8th annual Mock family history conference set Bedford County,

Pennsylvania will be the site for the 1998 Mock Family History Conference this coming September 25-27.

There will be a get-acquainted reception on Friday evening with a banquet on Saturday evening and the main meeting all day Sunday. Special guest speakers include Mr. Fred Ickes.

There will be a \$10 charge for each family attending to help cover the cost of meeting rooms and other miscellaneous expenses.

If you wish information on hotels and other details, please contact the *Mock Family Historian*, 366 Jacaranda Drive, Danville, CA 64506-2125.

Davies family plans reunion

Descendants of Nicolas Davies, Virginia land baron of the 1700s, will hold their first reunion at Lynchburg, Virginia on August 15th, 16, 1998. The meet will be at the Ramada Inn and Conference Center on US 29 and Odd Fellows Road. A tour of the 1875 family home, "Pebbleton" and family history presentations are planned. Contact Robert Choje, 229 Oak Hill Drive, Hatboro, PA 19040-1929.

Heyl/Hoyl gathering set for September

The public and all descendants of pioneer Pieter Heyl (later Hoyl and Hoyle) are invited to the annual Hoyle

Homestead Gathering set for Saturday, September 12, 1998. The gathering will be at the homestead located at 1214 Dallas Stanley Highway, Dallas, North Carolina 28034. Lunch will be available.

There will be an update of the restoration work that has and is being done at the homestead.

For additional information, call David Hoyle at 704-633-3941 or Lois Graham at 704-732-8621.

1998 annual meeting of the Childers/Childress family planned

The 18th annual meeting of the Childers/Childress Family Association will be held in Fort Wayne, Indiana on October 8-11, 1998.

Fort Wayne, Indiana is the home of the Allen County Library, which is the second largest genealogical library in the United States.

There will be work sessions for the researchers who are interested in their Childers/Childress ancestry and allied lines. All the members attending are asked to bring their family histories, books, documents, computers, programs and any other data they may have on the Childers/Childress and related lines. All Childers/Childress and allied lines are welcome to attend this national meeting.

For more information contact Anne Ruggiero, 5 Andreski Drive, Fremont, NH

03044-3020.

Dues for the Childers/Childress Family Association are \$10 for single membership, \$15 with spouse, \$1.00 children under 18.

Oklahoma Orphan Train Riders Reunion set for August 14-15

Dates for the Oklahoma Orphan Train Riders Reunion have been moved to August 14 and 15, 1998 and will be held at the Quality Inn in Tulsa. Several actual "Orphan Train Riders" and their descendants are expected to attend with many speaking about their experiences. The group is attempting to locate the remaining "Riders" and their descendants to collect biographical information.

It is known that several riders lived in Oklahoma and surrounding states, but little information has been found. Information on riders of the past is being sought for archival histories.

The orphan trains are part of America's history that took place between 1854 and 1929 when an estimated 150,000 orphaned, abandoned and homeless children were relocated from the east to the Midwest and south.

Today, a conservative figure of two million descendants exist in the United States. Many are not aware of the "free-home" placing out of their ancestors until beginning to search their roots. A child born in New York City around the turn of the century, but lived to adulthood in a Midwestern or southern state under a different name is possibly an orphan train rider.

To submit biographical and descendant information or to request registration information on the reunion, contact Ida Mae Wilhoit, 3523 S. New Haven Ave., Tulsa, OK 74135-4514. Call 918-743-4514.

Weldons gather for 10th reunion

Family and friends of William Jesse and Catherine Beletha (Warren) Weldon will gather for their 10th annual reunion at the American Legion Building in Tifton,

Reunion notice policy in The Family Tree

We are delighted to print free family reunion notices in *The Family Tree* - however, they are used on a space available basis. There is no charge for your family reunion notice on this basis. To be sure of having your reunion in a particular issue, you might consider placing a paid ad on these pages. Contact Beth at 912-985-6540 for information regarding ads.

Because of space limitations we seldom print any "after the reunion" information.

Remember, we are not allowed (because we mail at nonprofit rates) to give ANY information regarding hotels or travel.

Georgia on Sunday, September 20, 1998. A short program begins at 11 AM and a covered dish luncheon will be served at noon. Everyone is encouraged to come early and stay late to visit.

For more information regarding the reunion or the Weldon genealogy, contact John H. Weldon, PO Box 679, Micanopy, FL 32667. Call 352-466-3118.



Bevis Reunion set for Bascom, Florida

There will be a Bevis Reunion October 18, 1998 at 10:30 AM at the United Methodist Church, Bascom, Florida. For more information contact Margaret M. Hicks, 9236 Evenwood St., Orlando, FL 32825.

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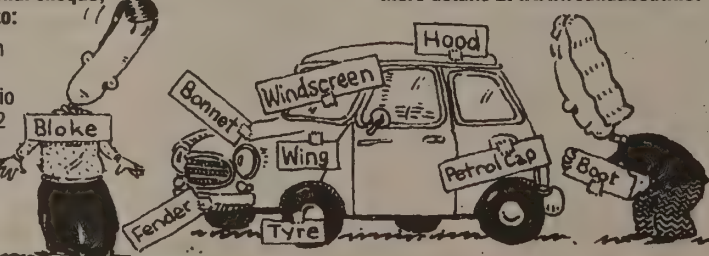
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COSCA Report

Col. Bob McWilliam



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The dinner went off without a hitch and after dinner there was more wine poured and Scotch, cigars and many toasts. At the end of the evening, we boarded our bus and headed back to Detroit. Our raucous singing group passed through American Customs and Immigration with a wave of the hand.

At that dinner, I was met and was befriended by a young captain, their regimental adjutant, who invited me to come up on any Tuesday or Thursday evening after their drills - which invitation I used whenever I was in Windsor on business. Eventually, I was invited to their Regimental Dining Out Evenings - which I attended on several occasions. This last March, I received an invitation from my friend who - through the intervening years - had risen to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and had just assumed command of the regiment. I accepted this invitation and showed up in my full dress military evening attire.

It is very difficult to describe your feelings when you walk into this high ceilinged dark oak paneled room with heavy, ornate furniture and long, massive wooden table running down the center - covered with a deep red tablecloth with heavy, ornate silver candelabra in the center. With battle flags and crests extending from the walls and glass cases - with silver trophies reflecting light. Suddenly, as if there was some time warp into the Victorian period, you're in this room with men in scarlet mess jackets trimmed in gold and black with closed high collars - all wearing kilts in the MacGregor tartan, diced red and black hose, white horsehair sporrans with gold ornamentation on top. The older members wore overlapping campaign medals extending across the left breast of their mess jackets. The regiments' traditional drink was a very fine port. After the reception, we adjourned to the dining hall, which was lit only by the soft glow of many

candles followed by more massive, tall, silver candelabrum place on the tables which were formed in a horseshoe fashion with the senior officers at the top. Each place setting had four wine glasses. The regimental silver was of heavy silverplate and seemed to extend forever on each side of our china serving plates.

It was a three course dinner with three different wines and a wonderful port. After dinner, the traditional toasts were given and MacGregor, the regimental rams head snuff mill with silver-tipped rams horns, was passed around with a large crystal of port. The decanter was slid around from right to left. There was a regimental tradition that the decanter is slid and not lifted from the table.

I was quite surprised at the number of officers who actually took snuff and knew how to handle it. As for myself, I settled for a fine Cuban cigar and a snifter of Cognac. Then, the toasts began to the Queen, to Canada, to The Regiment and to departed comrades.

The occasion for the dinner was the anniversary of the Battle of Hockwald in which their former Regimental Commander, Major F.A. Tilston, VC, won the Victoria Cross. Lt. Col. I.F. MacDonald, Past Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, described the action at Hockwald where Major Tilston won his citation.

Lt. Col. MacDonald was in his middle 70s, but stilled carried his military bearing and was very striking in his scarlet high necked, gold-trimmed jacket. As the Colonel was with Major Tilston at the time, he commenced to describe the Major's movements. As he began his talk, he seemed to subconsciously move the silverware to form the German and Allied lines and placed upside down coffee cups to represent the German bunkers and rifle pits and other buildings. He dipped his finger in a water glass and traced the Major's movements back and forth across the fields of fire -

in his effort to keep his company in place. As Col. Macdonald talked, the candlelight flickered across his uniform, causing his medals to glitter and to highlight his strong face and ruddy complexion. As I watched him trace Major Tilston's route through the overturned cups and around the salt and pepper shakers and past the sugar bowls, I could not help but think that with all our modern, elaborate means of communication and methods of exciting and assaulting the visual senses that we now have at our command...here was the Colonel describing an incident that occurred some fifty years ago - using the basic and simple techniques that military men have used to describe similar actions at similar dinners for centuries. We were all absorbed, spellbound and attentive - as if we were in the center of the action ourselves.

After dinner, we adjourned to tables with numerous single malts, blended Scotch whiskeys, cognacs, brandies and more good Cuban cigars.

Two weeks later, I was attending a retirement dinner dance for a longtime friend, Major General Joseph Scheinkoenig, who was retiring as the Commanding General of the 84th Division, an Army Reserve unit I had been with for fourteen or fifteen years. The dinner dance was another mess dress, black tie with decorations affair and had about 400 attendees rather than the 35 or so at the Essex and Kent dinner. We were all seated at dinner waiting for the general and his guests to make their way to the head table when I heard the pipes playing outside the dining room door. A piper marched in wearing full regalia piping in three Major Generals, three Brigadier Generals and their wives, to the head table where the piper continued to play until all were seated. To a great round of applause, he marched out - playing *Highland Laddie*.

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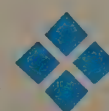
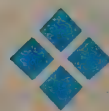
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The Right Honorable Malcolm Sinclair, Earl of Caithness, is a remarkable man, having genealogical ties to Prince Henry Sinclair (Jarl of Orkney), the ancient Earls of Rosslyn, the Dukes of Normandy and back to the Vikings.

Today, he serves in the House of Lords in London. Clan Sinclair recognizes him as its Hereditary Clan Chief.

In 1984, Mrs. Thatcher invited him to join her reformed government. Starting as a Whip, Lord Caithness progressed to be Minister in the Departments of Transport, Home Office, Environment, Treasury and Foreign Affairs.

The Earl of Caithness is the only peer this century to have worked in three great Departments of State. In Treasury, he also served as Paymaster General. He was created a Privy Councillor in 1990.

He considers it a great honor to have been appointed as a Trustee of The Queen Elizabeth Castle of Mey Trust, thus restoring the family link with Caithness.

If you plan to join in the celebrations in September at the New Hampshire Highland Games or at Westford, write for information: Clan Gathering, 65 Hartwell St., West Boylston, MA 01583.

Peter MacDonald is better! He's sent more clippings!

Our friend, Peter MacDonald, is recovered from his automobile accident...thankfully! and has been kind enough to clip interesting things from the Scottish newspapers and send them to us. If you would like a selection of Peter's Clippings...send along an envelope and a request. We'll fill whatever size envelope and amount of postage you send...i.e., small envelope, few clippings - large envelope, lots of clippings.

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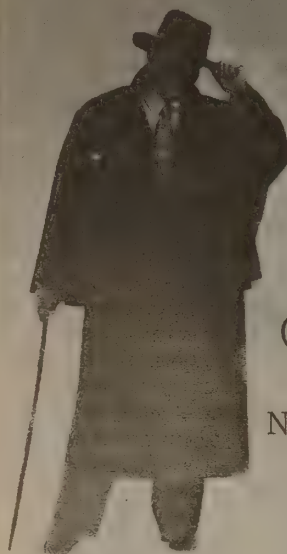
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Chief Curtis Zunigha of the Delaware Indian Nation joined four other national Indian leaders in addressing sovereignty issues in Washington, DC with congressional staffers. The June 5 forum was sponsored by HONOR (Honor Our Neighbors Origins & Rights) a Wisconsin based native rights organization and held at the Longworth Congressional Building on Capitol Hill.

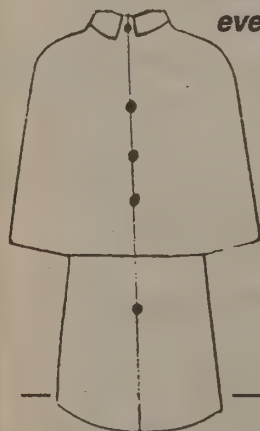
"Chief Zunigha's speech was perfect and several people I spoke with said it had a great impact on them. We were truly honored to have him as a member of our panel," said Diane Wyss, an Executive Board member of HONOR.

The Chief discussed treaty rights and land as foundations for exercising tribal sovereignty.

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## Look what Mr. Varnes found

Mr. Earl L. Varnes, President of the Madison County, Florida Genealogy Society, Inc., wrote in his latest issue of *The Madison County Florida Genealogical News*: "...I picked up the May 7th issue of The Boston Sunday Globe. An article raised concerns for me and I feel that it should concern all genealogy circles.

Turns out there are two new copyright bills pending in the US House of Representatives. My understanding of these two bills disturbs me greatly. You might want to take a look at HR 2652 and HR 2281.

One of these bills, HR 2652 - Collections of information Antipiracy Act, is scary to me. This act would give the owners of databases a sort of copyright on their databases' content. Local telephone directories would fall under this Act. No more on-line phone books. And, there isn't any sort of limit on what information this could happen to, not even public records and there is no time limit on its duration. The Act is apparently retroactive and has no exceptions for "fair use."

The other bill, HR 2281 - Copyright Treaties Implementation Act is even more scary to me. This Act would set up a new type of copyright violation called "circumvention" and threatens if not destroys the current idea of "fair use." There appears to be support from HR 2281 from Microsoft, a number of major publishers and the Clinton administration.

### Spencer Historical & Genealogical Society plans reunion for Geneva, Ohio

The Spencer Historical and Genealogical Society is planning their reunion for September 16-20, 1998 at the Howard Johnson Motel at Geneva, Ohio.

Re registration fee of \$70 per person includes Wednesday evening deli-buffet, a bus excursion to interesting sites, seminars of interesting Spencer subjects and a Saturday evening banquet.

More information about the reunion and hotel reservation information is available from Beth M. Spencer, chairman, 123 Vail Street, Michigan City, IN 46360-2543.

Under this Act, it might be possible for someone to lock information that is public domain behind a security system (such as a pay-per-view website or a protocol requiring the divulgence of personal information before granting access) and if someone finds a way around that system, he could be fined as much as \$2500 for "circumvention" even if he is legally entitled to that information.

Tell me it ain't so! Take a look at these bills and tell me I have got it all wrong. You can get the May 7 issue of the *Boston Sunday Globe* or check these bills out on the Internet. You can see the full text of both bills at <<http://thomas.loc.gov/>> There is also an article examining the faults of HR 2652 at <<http://www.dfc.org/>>

You may reach Mr. Varnes at PO Box 136, Madison, FL 32341-0136.

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### New England Historic Genealogical Society presents seminar in Houston

The New England Historic Genealogical Society presents its October conference featuring two full days of lectures on methods and techniques for genealogical research.

In addition to several acclaimed speakers from NEHGS research staff, our featured guest speakers are Kathleen W. Hinckley, CGRS, Executive Secretary of the Association of Professional Genealogists and James L. Hansen, FASG, reference librarian and genealogical specialist at the Library of the State Historical Society of

Wisconsin.

A variety of lectures at the seminar will appeal to all genealogists.

Registration is required. For more information, call 1-888-AT-NEHGS or locally at 617-536-5740, ext. 202.

### Free lecture in Boston

Learn about nineteenth-century social customs at the FREE lecture: The Vanderbilt Ball of 1883: New York Society in the Age of Innocence which will be held 6 PM, October 14, 1998 at The New England Historic Genealogical Society, 101

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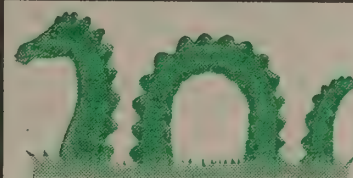
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Visitors to the museum should allow between 1 - 3 hours to fully appreciate the experience.

The museum itself, which has been officially recognized by the Museums and Galleries Commission, houses artifacts from some of the sites in Kilmartin Glen in a professionally designed, informal environment. Extensive use of first-class replicas and reconstructions augments the collection, which is further intensified by a wealth of clear and well-written information panels.

In late October of last year Kilmartin House hosted Scotland's first Eco-Museum Seminar organized by the Centre for Environmental Interpretation and the Scottish Museums Council. This event was a resounding success; all the delegates agreed that the venue was ideal and that they had been afforded an exceptionally high level of hospitality.

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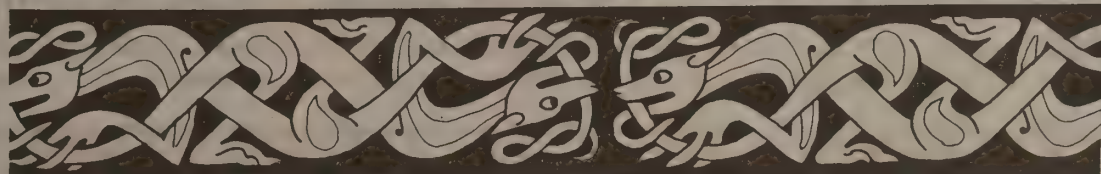
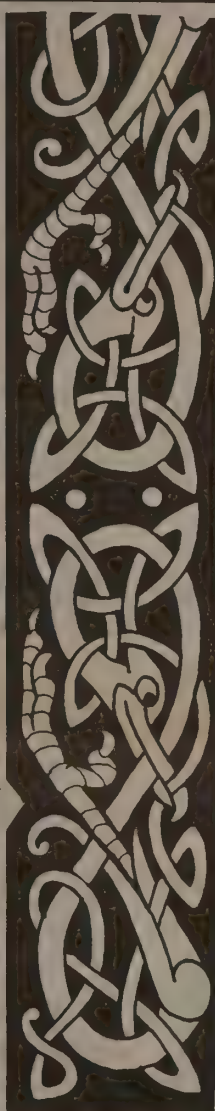
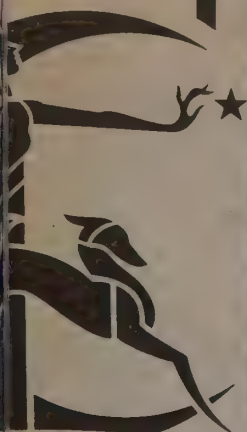
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by John Buxton

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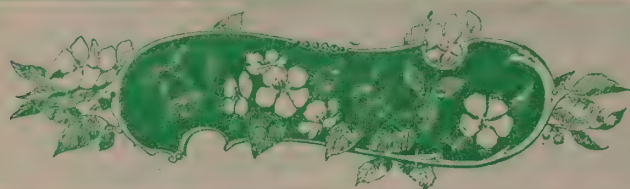
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## More on the National Archives closures.....

In the *Genealogical Forum of Oregon, Inc.*, Volume 47, Number 4, is a very interesting article reprinted from *Ancestry, Inc.*, and written by Richard W. Eastman. It is a copyrighted article, so we cannot reproduce it here...but, it is an interesting and thought provoking treatise on a subject of great importance to all genealogists. The subject of the article is "National Archives Closures Threatened."

Mr. Eastman says, "My concern revolves around pages 16 and 17 of the National Archives report. I am not so concerned about what it says explicitly; I am more concerned about what it infers."

You may get a copy of the US Government report by asking for "Ready Access to Essential Evidence: The Strategic Plan of the National Archives and Records Administration 1997-2007." This 48 page booklet apparently was prepared by the staff of Mr. John Carlin, Archivist of the US. Write National Archives & Records Administration, 7th &

Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, DC 20408.

Write for membership information and to purchase a copy of the *Genealogical Forum of Oregon, Inc.*, at 2130 SW 5th Ave., Suite 220, Portland, OR 97201. Contact Mr. Eastman through *Ancestry, Inc.*

There have been several articles on this subject in past issues of *The Family Tree*.

## Cleveland County Genealogical Society presents Lloyd Bockstruck

The Cleveland County Genealogical Society presents their annual seminar, "The Scots-Irish Along the Great Wagon Trail" this coming August 21, 22 at the Ramada Inn, Norman, Oklahoma (I-35 at Lindsey Street exit).

The event will feature well-known genealogist, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, Supervisor of the Dallas Genealogy Library.

If you would like more information, please contact the Cleveland County Genealogical Society, PO Box 6176, Norman, Oklahoma 73070.

## Popular surnames in America and China

Smith, Brown, Jones, Williams rank high in popular surnames in the United States. In China, the family name, Li, which belongs to some 87 million Chinese mainlanders, including hard-line premier Li Peng, is the most popular name. It has surpassed Zhang as the most widely used surname in the world.

## Prince William member CAR!

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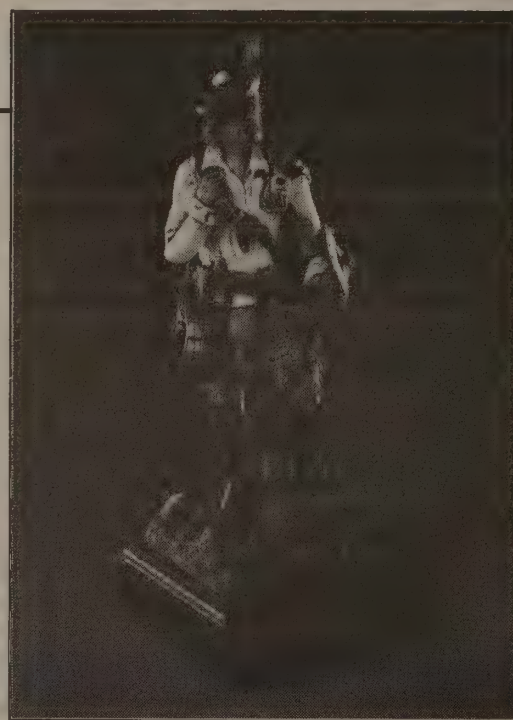
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## Oklahoma Civil War Burial Registrations sought

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The group is also attempting to locate the remaining living children of Civil War veterans. So far, eight "real sons and daughters" of Union and Confederate veterans have been located in Oklahoma. All are past the age of eighty and were the products of elderly fathers who were very young when entering the Civil War.

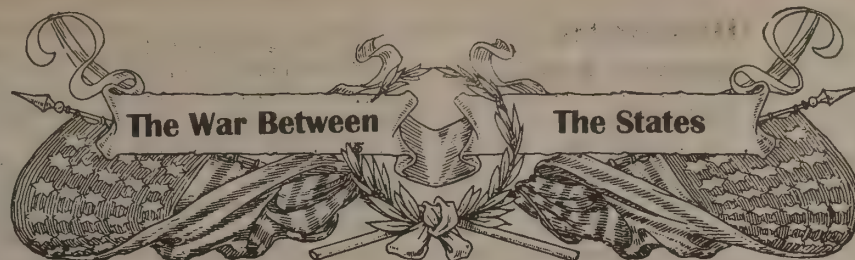
The public is requested to submit any known information concerning the burial locations of Union and Confederate Veterans in Oklahoma. The veteran's and wife's full names and dates, unit served, headstone type and cemetery name and location is the type of information sought. Information on the real sons and daughters, burial locations of the Civil War veterans, or other information in regard to the veterans can be sent to: Oklahoma Confederate Archives, Inc., PO Box 691921, Tulsa, OK 74169-1921. Email: <MACROUTE@JUNO.COM>



## Civil War medical records for those "rejected"

Men who were drafted and then rejected to serve in the American Civil War are on file at the National Archives, group record #110. These records are to be found in their respective Congressional Districts as they were organized in 1863. Data can include occupation, age, place of birth, present residence, physical description and may give the reason for their rejection from military duty. Records found here do not relate to recruits sent on active duty.

With thanks to the Washington County Genealogical Society, 5-C Apple Orchard Lane, Calais, ME 04619.



## Sad medical aspects of the Civil War

More Americans died in the Civil War than in the combined total of the nation's dead in the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, the Indian Wars, the Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II and the Korean War. Casualties added in Vietnam finally brought the grand total above the casualties suffered in the Civil War. The Civil War losses were borne by a nation of only 35 million people.

The Union had 2,900,000 in service. The Confederacy had 1,350,000 in service.

More died from disease than from battle - a total of 390,000. 205,000 died in

battle. An additional estimated 50,000 died in accidents.

Gunshots wound exceeded saber and bayonet wounds by a ratio of 250 to 1.

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With thanks to the *Fulton County Folk Finder*, FCHS, Rochester, Indiana.

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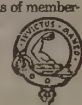
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Registration materials are available by mail, the Internet or fax. Write CWI at Box 1384, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Visit their website at <www.cwiltld.org> Fax 414-257-3705.

### Has anyone heard of a Clan MacAlpine in the US?

Eleanor MacAlpine, Box 173, Woodville, Ontario,



Canada KOM 2TO writes that she is looking for a Clan MacAlpine organization. Is there a chief? How about a chieftain? If anyone has information, please contact Ms. MacAlpine at the above address.



### What does "BYPU" mean?

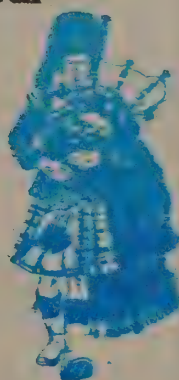
Ann Carlton of Moultrie has discovered a photograph ca 1905-1910 which features the building in which her wonderful dress shop, Turner's, is now located. Across the front of the building is a banner which reads "BYPU." Does anyone know what this meant?

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# Sharing Haystacks

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Special to The Family Tree — *David Clark*

I subscribe to an electronic mailing list about the Wilson Family. There are over 500 people who subscribe to this list, and they exchange information about ancestors in hopes of finding connections to others who are looking for the same people. When a person sends a message to "the list," it is forwarded to everyone on the list.

Last week, the "list-owner" sent a request for what she called a "Roll Call," where every person on the list would send their direct line, going back to the oldest person they knew of in their family.

The next day, I checked my email. There were about 200 messages from the Wilson List. Over the course of the next few days, there were the better part of 300 messages from people all over the country hunting Wilson ancestors.

I've been thinking about the Roll Call; and the list; and the experience of sharing family

information with people I don't know from all over the country.

I read enough of every message to be able to know if there's a connection between the sender and myself.

Like most subscribers, I found that no one was looking for my people; or if they were we couldn't find a way to get together.

There were a few that were close, but I don't know my Great Great Grandfather's brothers names; and they didn't either - so we didn't have anything.

Now the messages have slowed down to a very different pace, and I have the sense that the storm is over. It reminds me of the feeling I had as a teenager when I helped some men take inventory of a huge drugstore. The task was daunting as hell at first, and most of the way through I didn't think we'd ever finish.

And this is really what we have done — take inventory. Now it's kind of...

standing around in the parking lot as a few corners of the huge Wilson Building get counted and the information is still trickling in.

Like most huge inventories, this one seemed insane at first.

And like most huge inventories, some people quit.

I'd only been on the Wilson Mailing List for a few weeks, and not much had come through. Then the Roll Call was announced.

I laughed as I saw people's reasons for quitting. One woman said she was subscribed to over 30 lists and couldn't keep up; so something had to go.

30 lists? Good gracious. That sounds like my mother's attic, where she has everything and can't find anything.

I am writing a book on my family and how they lived through American History. My Great Uncle Joseph Chester Wilson killed a man in Wilcox County, Georgia in 1920. His family, which included my Great Grandfather and Grandfather, were run out of



David Clark

town. My grandfather's house and store were burned to the ground when it was announced that his brother, Chester, was granted a new trial. Several other houses of people who were friends of the Wilsons were also set afire. In the process of running the Wilsons out of Seville, Ga.; the town of Seville was destroyed. What had been the largest town in Wilcox County, Georgia was transformed into a ghost town almost overnight. There are now about 150 or so people left there. In 1900 there were 1,200.

Uncle Chester was sentenced to life in 1923, and escaped from Colquitt County, Ga. Prison in 1924. He was never seen again. 4 years later,

his father (my Great Grandfather) shot his wife and killed himself in Cordele, Georgia.

I found out about these events 4 years ago. I am 39. The first 35 years of my life, I thought there were no other Wilsons other than my immediately family who were kin to me. I have found out there are a whole pile of them, and that all of us have been very peaceful in spite of our ancestral trouble in the 20's.

I am attempting to piece information together about this man Chester Wilson, and where our shared family came from. I am trying to find information about his father's father and his father's brothers; because they went to Center, Texas in the late 1800's.

When Uncle Chester escaped, he was taken by his brother to Texas.

So, I am looking for a man that the FBI looked for at least as late as 1951.

I am looking for information on a family that has been in America since 1812 and before.

Because of this killing, the family disintegrated and went their separate ways. The collective story of our family has been unspoken for my

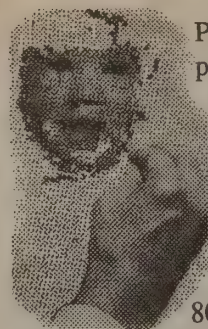
parent's generation and most of mine, because to talk about the family meant to talk about Uncle Chester and his dad. The old folks just chose to not discuss it.

To attempt to dig into the past and discover our roots is a black hole for time. A person can dig and sift and poke and prod for hours and hours and not find anything.

I am looking at literally every piece of paper in the basement of the Wilcox County, Ga. Courthouse. They

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Estes Park is located at the edge of Rocky Mountain National Park and these games attract over 60,000 people with 66 registered clans. This is a wonderful opportunity for persons with clan affiliation to come and meet fellow Hay kinsmen.

For accommodations and other information, please contact Larry Hay, 5 Mountain Cedar Lane, Littleton, CO 80127. Call 303-932-6026.

### Haystacks,

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have records dating back to the mid 1800's. It is a great treasure trove of American History. Many courthouses have simply thrown away piles of records because of space limitations.

The problem with these records in the basement of the Courthouse is that they are not in any sort of order. A box may contain court cases from 1895 and 1975. I am trying to locate about 10 cases out of an entire roomful of boxes.

I will locate them.

And I wish for the roomful of old records that Wilcox County did throw out years ago - the jail records that would show information about my Great Uncle as they held him for the murder of another man in a small South Georgia town that essentially no longer exists because of his act.

Most people will simply not dig into a haystack. They would rather live without the Golden Needle found buried there.

But then there are those who dig into any haystack, knowing that one needle is worth a great deal.

*David Clark is a writer and storyteller, and is a commentator on Peach State Public Radio in Georgia; and on All Things Considered, which is produced by National Public Radio.*

*This article is an excerpt from an upcoming book.*

*If you would like to contact him, you may do so by e-mail at: dclark@accucomm.net.*

### Reunions!

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#### Cone reunion set for Isalah Cone descendants

You are cordially invited to attend the Second Annual Cone Family Reunion. This event will be held Saturday, 10 October 1998 from 9 AM until 5 PM at the Frontier Territory's Opera Hall near I-10 and Highway 53. This is at exit 37 south of Madison, Florida.

The reunion is open to all members and extended members of the Isaiah Cone family. Over 1400 of his descendants and their relatives have been already traced.

Isaiah and his wife had four children who were born in North Carolina. His first wife died there and afterward he moved to Florida with his children. Records indicate that they first settled in Leon County in 1828 and about 1830 they moved to Madison County. His children, Fountain Hayne Cone, Sr., William Spencer Cone, Sr., and Elizabeth Cone moved with him to Madison County. One son, Jesse Cone, moved to Decatur County, Georgia and raised his family there. In 1834, Isaiah married his second wife, Mary Vickory of Madison County. He died ca 1842.

Cousin Beth Gay of Moultrie, Georgia will be our guest speaker.

There will be an auction and attendees are asked to bring items to donate as fund raisers for the next reunion.

The Sacred Hearts Gospel Group will entertain.

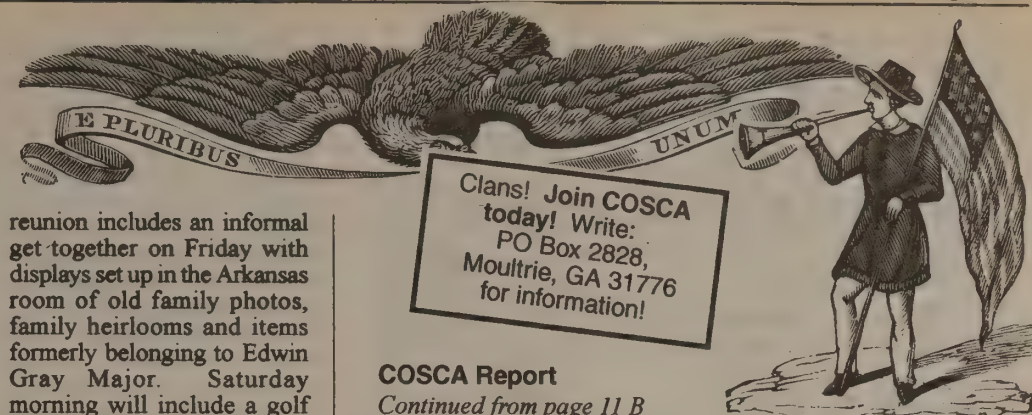
Bring at least three of your favorite recipes from your family.

For more information contact Jim Cone, 912-923-1872. Write 200 Harris St., Warner Robins, GA 31093.

#### Edwin Gray Major descendants plan reunion

The descendants of Edin Gray Major, born December 14, 1845 at Lafayette, Walker County, Georgia, will gather for the first time in over twenty years on August 21-23 at Mather Lodge on Petit Jean Mountain State Park near Morrilton, Arkansas. Anyone interested may contact George Gray Major at 20 Markham Place Circle, Little Rock, AR 72211-3024 or by calling 501-227-7853 after 5 PM.

The schedule for the



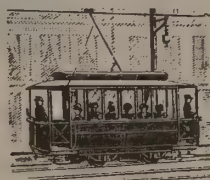
reunion includes an informal get together on Friday with displays set up in the Arkansas room of old family photos, family heirlooms and items formerly belonging to Edwin Gray Major. Saturday morning will include a golf tournament or free time to go fishing, swimming, horsebackriding, hiking, sight-seeing or a trip to Oak Grove Cemetery at Conway, Arkansas, to visit family graves.

Saturday afternoon will include a magic show for kids of all ages by a family member, "Patches" the Magic Clown and a horseshoe pitching tournament. A family group photo will be made prior to the family banquet that evening.

Sunday morning there will be a religious service led by Rev. James E. Major of Little Rock.

Copies of the Major family genealogy will be available for the first time to family members attending the reunion.

Family members will be in attendance from West Bloomfield, Michigan; Jacksonville, Florida; Denver and Colorado Springs, Colorado; Las Vegas, Nevada and Amarillo, Texas as well as from all over Arkansas.



#### Clan Chattan USA AGM set for Pleasanton

The Clan Chattan USA Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday morning, September 6, 1998 at 8 AM at the Clan Chattan USA tent at the Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, California.

The 133rd consecutive Scottish Games and Gathering sponsored by The Caledonian Club of San Francisco will be held at the Alameda County Fairgrounds at Pleasanton, California on September 5, 6.

If you have agenda items to present, please send them as soon as possible to Howard Shaw, Chairman, 1101 North F Street, Lompoc, CA 93436-3441.

### COSCA Report

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brought a table up in front of the dinner. Again the pipes began to play and the piper came in escorting a kilted Scot carrying the haggis, another carrying whisky bottles and two more Scots in kilts and Prince Charlie's carrying basket-hilted swords. I recognized all of them from our own St. Andrew's Society. The haggis "was addressed" with great vigor and a broad Scots accent. After the participants had finished their wee dram and the piper had put his cup upside down over his head they all marched out to more enthusiastic applause and cheers.

After dinner, I asked General Sheinkoenig how all this got started. He said, "Well, you haven't been to our dinners for the past couple of years. This is a big deal. We

found this piper in one of our Madison units and at a dinner a couple of years ago, we got him as well as the Billy Mitchell Pipe Band and our own Division Band to play some numbers together including The Caissons Go Rolling Along and we haven't been the same since. We use our piper at all the functions we can. Our biggest problem is there is no position for a bagpiper on our table of organization and equipment, so we have him assigned to our band in the wind section - playing miscellaneous wind instruments. What the new Division Commander is going to do, I don't know. I hope he keeps it up. We have a great tradition going here."

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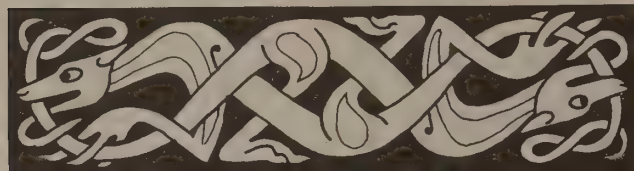
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**Clan Anderson sets June, 2000 for gathering**  
The International Gathering of Clan Anderson is set to take place in June, 2000 in Scotland. This ten day event will begin at Wyseby House in Dumfriesshire and will cover Scotland in depth including a visit to the Orkney and Shetland Islands.

Hope Vere Anderson will lead the largest-ever gathering of Andersons throughout this historic event which will culminate with the dedication of the new Clan Anderson Heritage Center.

The Clan Anderson goal is to have 2000 Andersons

Contact Clan Anderson by writing 130 S. Maple St., Murfreesboro, TN 37130.

## Matt Newson, Lian Cassidy win Gaelic Mod, Lochaber Trump

Matt Newsome, curator of the Scottish Tartans Museum in Franklin, North Carolina, won first place in the recent Lochaber Trump Competition at Grandfather Mountain Highland Games and Gathering of the Clans. Newsome performed *Mac an "Orish" ann an Luig* - the Gaelic original of *Mairi's Wedding*. The first place trophy was an Edinburgh crystal decanter.

Paul Leslie of Asheville, North Carolina won second place performing *Scotland the Brave*.

Mrs. Karen Burnett of Central, South Carolina was awarded third place in the Lochaber Trump performing *Merrily Kiss'd the Quaker's Wife*.

12-year old Gordon Baumeister of Carrboro, North Carolina competed and did well in the competition.

Ron Raisbeck was director of the competition and Donald F. MacDonald of Edinburgh, Scotland (and cofounder of the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games) was the judge.

The Gaelic Mod first prize was awarded to Lian Cassidy of Alexandria, Virginia who performed *Mo Shoraid Leis na*

*Fuar Bheannan*.

Second place went to Harry MacKenzie of Baltimore, Maryland who performed *O Mo Dhuthaich* and third place went to Ed Bradshaw of Alexandria, Virginia who performed a *Port a Beul Medley*.

In the Women's Division, Denise La Point of Montreal, Canada, performing *Morag Bheag*, won the first place award.

Jana Blue from Richmond, Virginia, who sang *Mile Marbhphaisg air a' Ghaol*, was awarded second prize.

Flora MacDonald Gammon of Waynesville, North Carolina, with her performance of *Sann an Ile*, won the third award.

Both the Lochaber Trump and Gaelic Mod are planned for the 1999 Grandfather Mountain Games!

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## Annual Scottish Faire & Christmas Walk set for December 12

The Mother Lode Scots extend a warm welcome to all to join us in celebrating the holiday season at our Scottish Faire and Walk beginning at 10 AM on December 12. Held in the Armory Hall in the historic village of Volcano, California, in the lovely Sierra Foothills of Amador County. This is a unique event of Scottish music, dancing, food and vendors. Parking and admission is FREE.

There will be something for the entire family with entertainment all afternoon consisting of bagpipes and drums, dancing and Celtic music. There will be scones, Scottish meat pies and other wonderful goods for sale. Vendors of Scottish and Celtic wares for those wishing to indulge themselves with "must have" items for yourself or for Christmas gifts will abound.

Closing the day's activities will be a candle lit Walk commencing in front of the town's flagpole at 4:45 PM.

For more information, contact Scottie Carr at 209-267-0806 or the "Chief of the Mother Lode Scots," Stuart McNaughton at 209-223-3438.







## National POINT Conference set for Las Vegas in October

The POINT (Pursuing Our Italian Names Together) National Conference will be held October 11-14 in Las Vegas, Nevada. If you would like to register, contact Chuck Panico, Box 43744, Las Vegas, NV 89116 IMMEDIATELY. The conference registration is \$70.

Plans include a Columbus Day Banquet on Monday evening and a catered luncheon on Tuesday. Diane Greene and Emily Iland will speak on Monday with the national archivist scheduled for Monday afternoon. June Delalio and John Giofredo will speak on Tuesday. There will also be a tour of the Las Vegas Family History Center.

Please contact Mr. Panico for lodging information.

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## Carl Boyer, Gary Shumway set to speak in California

Carl Boyer, 3rd and Gary Shumway, Ph.D., will both speak at a German Seminar on Saturday, November 14, 1998 at Scripps College, Claremont, California.

Boyer will speak on German Ancestors of Famous Americans and Historical Background of German Emigration.

The seminar is sponsored by the German Genealogical Society of America (GGSA). Write them at 2125 Wright Ave., Suite C-9, La Verne, CA 91750-5814.

# Interesting things from the world of genealogy!

## Are you researching Pomeranian ancestry?

If you are researching Pomeranian ancestry, you must see the publication *Die Pommerschen Leute (the Pomeranian People)*. Information about this subject is on the Internet at <<http://feefhs.org/dpl/frg-dpl.html>>

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## You simply must read *Der Blumenbaum*...

If you are researching anything remotely connected to German research, you simply must subscribe to the Sacramento German Genealogy Society's *Der Blumenbaum*. Memberships, which include this wonderful publication, are \$15 for an individual or \$20 for a couple. Send along your name, address, telephone number and committee preference. Foreign memberships are available for \$26 airmail and \$20 surface mail.

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With thanks to *Somos Primos*.



## German-Texan Heritage Society celebrates 20th anniversary

The 1998 German-Texan Heritage Society will hold their 20th anniversary annual meeting in Austin Texas, September 11-13, 1998. Registration is: before August 14, \$70; after August 14, \$80, at the door, \$85.

The registration fee includes entrance to all speakers, a bus tour, the Friday evening reception and the Saturday night banquet.

For more information regarding hotels and details of the meeting highlights and speaker's topics, contact Doris Butler or Teresa Chavez at 512-482-0927, PO Box 684171, Austin, TX 78768.



## Edward R. Brandt, Ph.D., offers help

We had the nicest letter from the respected and noted author Edward R. Brandt, Ph.D. Dr. Brandt sent more information on Germanic and Polish guides he has authored or co-authored. If you would like a copy of this list, just send along a SASE to the Odom Library (PO Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776 - with a request).

Dr. Brandt writes that he would be happy to exchange bibliographic and other information regarding researching the descendants of German-speakers throughout the world. Contact Dr. Edward R. Brandt, 13-27<sup>th</sup> Ave., SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414-3101.

## HM Queen Elizabeth II honored by Georgia Salzburger Society

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of England was given Honorary membership in The Georgia Salzburger Society on March 12, 1998, the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge. The event, a service of thanksgiving and rededication was at the church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields in Trafalgar Square, London.

The Queen was presented the certificate by Marvin and Jackie Brown, Ambassadors at Large for the society. The couple received an invitation to attend this event from Dr. Paul Chandler, General Secretary of the SPCK. The Browns reported that they were received most graciously.

Three certificates were presented at the celebration. A certificate also went to The Most Reverend and Right Honorable Dr. George L. Carey, Archbishop of Canterbury, President of the SPCK, at a tea reception in The Throne Room in St. James Palace and also to Dr. Chandler in Bishop Partridge Hall.

Contact The Georgia Salzburger Society by writing 2980 Ebenezer Road, Rincon, GA 31326. Call 912-754-7001.

## Palatines to America takes major step

Palatines to America is taking a major step to better serve its 3500 members in 48 states and eight other countries, announced president Beth Kroehler of Muncie, Indiana. The governing board met in Columbus, Ohio last month and approved several initiatives, including replacing the office and library computers and publishing the index to the immigrant ancestor register. Pal-Am is continuing to catalog the library in preparation to publishing a catalog on-line and on-paper. Plans call for hiring extra staff as well as to increase the endowment.

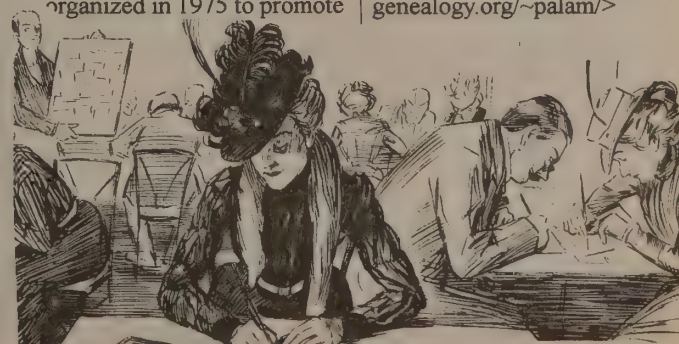
For the 1998-1999 membership year beginning October 1, annual dues in Palatines to America will be \$28.00, which includes membership in one chapter of choice. Family memberships are only \$2.00 more. Canadian members pay \$30.00; members in other countries pay \$40.00 because of postage.

Palatines to America was organized in 1975 to promote

the study of Germanic immigration to North America, to publish information of general interest and to provide a means for members to exchange information and share research.

The society welcomes those researching German-speaking ancestors who arrived in North America in any century. Membership brings access to the Palatine Library, in person or through research by volunteers, the quarterly journal, *The Palatine Immigrant*, as well as the newsletter, *The Palatine Patter*, which carries queries.

Chapters encourage personal participation and fellowship and hold spring and fall conferences in Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. For more information contact Palatines to America, Capital University, Box 101, Columbus, OH 43209-2394. Call 614-236-8281. On the Internet: <[pal-am@juno.com](mailto:pal-am@juno.com)> or <<http://genealogy.org/~palam/>>



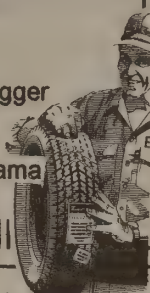


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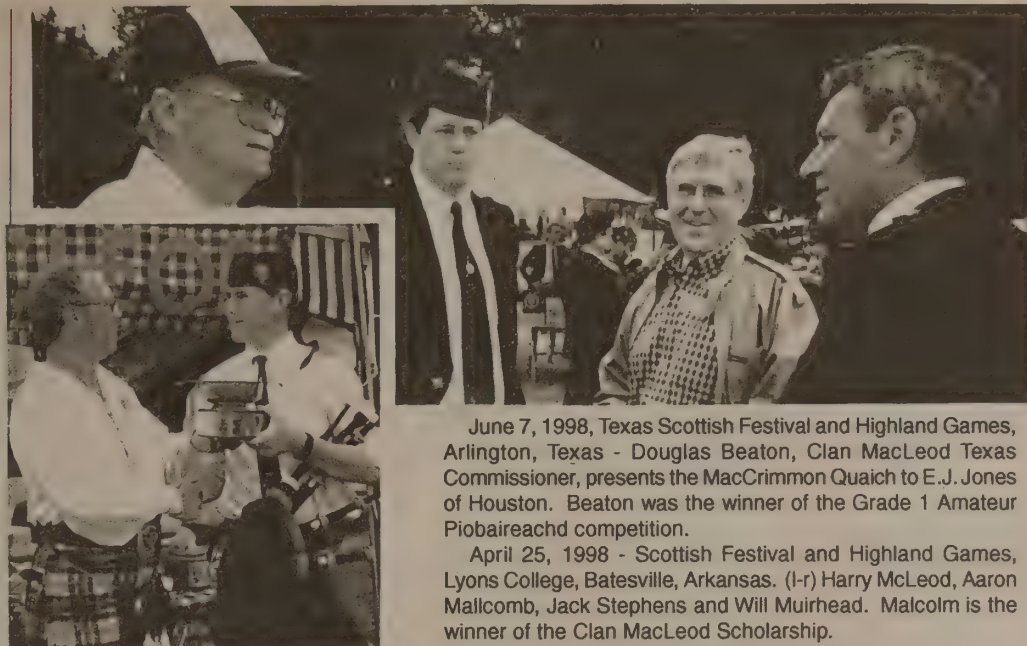
**LETITIA JANE WILSON** (1832-1906) Colma, S.F. Co., California wedded 1848 **JAMES ALLAN, JR.**, at Trinity Church, New York City. Her father, **GEORGE WILSON** wed ca 2 June 1821 **ELIZABETH SPEARS** at English Parish, Co., Armagh, Belfast, Northern Ireland. Were **WILLIAM WILSON**, **MARGARET SMYTHE** ca 1779 of Tenderagee, Belfast, Co. Armagh, born 1750s near Kentshire, England? **JAMES ALLEN, JR.**, (1830-1906) perished at New York or San Francisco, CA (Co Tyrone - 6 counties!) Was **GEORGE HOLUBAR** wed **JOSEPHA LYR** 17 March 1745



at Hradec Kralove, Austria-Bohemia, actually born in Ceske-Budejovice? Anything? **JOHN TINNING** born 1734 Carlisle, England. Death in South Carolina. **THOMAS E. SENDER** or **THOMAS ESENDER** (1760-1818) Lutheran or Episcopal? Annapolis and Baltimore. **NEHEMIAH DREWE**. Richard Morrissey, 28656 Murrieta Rd., Sun City (Riverside County), CA 92586.

Nephew, **EUGENE M. WITHERS** seeking information and/or descendants of his aunt, **GENEVA LILIAN JACKSON MASON** born 1899 and married 24 February 1919 to **LEO N. MASON** in Cleveland, Ohio. Daughter of **LULA LEWLA BELL** and **MONTAGUE JACKSON**. **GENEVA** lived at 2367 E. 59th Street in Cleveland, Ohio. Please contact **Eugene M. Withers, PO Box 28291, Cleveland, OH 44128**.

Searching for family members of **BOAZ "BUZZ" CHASTAIN**, born 3 March 1847 and died 16 December 1924. His first wife was **M.G. AMERICUS LUKE** born 22 May 1853 and died 11 September 1877. His children by his first marriage: **FLORENCE D., INDIANA**, **ROBERT LEE**, **DANIEL W.**, **BUZZ EMERY, JR.**, **MOSES**. Children by his 2nd wife, **MARY BATHSHEBA MOLLIE BENTON**, born 16 June 1860 and died 2 May 1938: **WILLIAM ALLISON**, **NOAH ALONZO** (my grandfather), **ARCHER T.**, **EDGAR A.**, **RUTH**, **RUBY**. I would like to know the location of burial of **MARY BATHSHEBA BENTON**. Where did they all go? **Ted Chastain**, 8471 McNeil Road, Jacksonville, FL 32244-4130.



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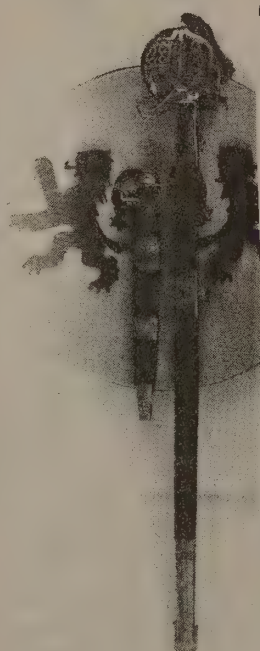
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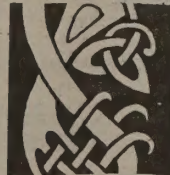
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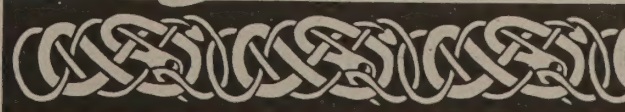
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## Dances, Clans and People

Many of the dances have names of people as their titles. I mentioned a particularly

intriguing one in a previous article. This penchant of naming a dance after a person or group is probably more common in Scotland than in

any other country. Usually, first came the tune and then the dance so that both are often, but not always, linked together. Historically, the dances

were taught by a "dancie" or dancing master and the music provided by him or a local musician, usually a fiddler.

Dancie travelled around an area and when he came into town he would put up notices to the effect that "Mr. Dance Master would be teaching dance classes in the Upper rooms at the Inn (or whatever) on the following days..." No doubt, Dancie was often both the composer and deviser of a dance. But, frequently the tune was already in existence. It might also be a song - and then someone put figures together to make a dance. A fine example is *Corn Rigs*: Burns took an old tune, putting together the words for the song and then later someone devised a dance for the tune.

The eighteenth century was a period of great popularity for Country Dances and at the same time we find some outstanding musicians - in particular Niel Gow (he used the Gaelic spelling for his name) who was born in Inver, near Dunkeld, in 1727 and died 1807. He was fiddler to three Dukes of Atholl. His son, Nathaniel, played for King George IV during the King's visit to Edinburgh in the 1820s.

Another famous musician was the butler to the Duke of Gordon. He was not only a fine composer of music for the fiddle, but also a clock maker. The Duke thought very highly of William Marshall, the writer of some of the most beautiful strathspeys of all time.

These composers often wrote tunes for special events - a birthday, a wedding, even a lament for a death. They were associated with names of people or families. For example the story behind Scott Skinner's *The Bonnie Lass of Bon Accord* was that a young girl came up to him one evening as he was walking

with a friend in Aberdeen (aka Bon Accord). She asked for money. Skinner replied that whereas he couldn't help her, as he had no money. He told her he could write a tune for her which would last beyond both hers and his time. True.

Now John Drewry of Aberdeen has devised the dance of the same name and the tune is also used for *The Saint John River* written to commemorate the Canadian Centennial by a dancer from Frederickton, New Brunswick.

Clans: you may find that your clan has one or more dances associated with the name. Murray/Atholl has *The Duke of Atholl's Reel*, *The Duchess of Atholl's Slipper*, *The Earl of Mansfield* (danced to a famous pipe tune of that name), and *Lady Jean Murray's Rant*. She was a daughter of the 4th Duke of Atholl, married at 17 and was dead at 18. No doubt she danced to Niel Gow's band when they played for dancing at her home.

MacLeod: Mrs. MacLeod of Raasay, Dunvegan Castle and Angus Macleod.

Hamilton: *Hamilton House* and *Duke of Hamilton's Reel* - *Hamilton Rant* was written by Bob Campbell for the city of Hamilton, Ontario.

Macpherson: *Macpherson's of Edinburgh* and Mrs. MacPherson of Inveran.

Donnachaigh: *The Robertson's Rant* - a very popular strathspey in a square set.

At least two countesses have dances: of Crawford and Sutherland. And there are many more - but this is just an introduction.

However, not all dances are named for titled persons. One of the oldest dances in our repertoire (ca 1750) is *Johnny Groat's House*, presumably named for Jon de Groot, who had a seven-sided house built at the northernmost post of mainland Scotland - John o' Groats!

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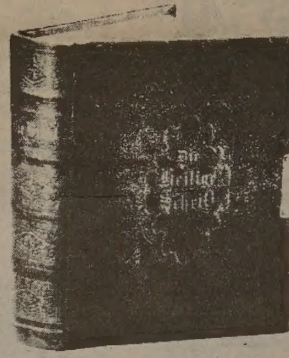
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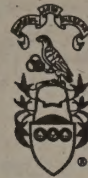
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## The Lure of Old Maps

Mercator's enchanting 16th-century atlas, missing for 400 years, now available in North America for the first time

The story is mysterious and captivating. The year was 1570. Legendary mapmaker Gerard Mercator, inventor of the Mercator Projection and the first to name a collection of maps for the Greek god Atlas, carefully separated his previously published giant wall maps of Europe to prepare a complete collection of maps for a grand tour of Europe by the young Crown Prince of Cleves.

But the young prince was killed on his journey, and the atlas began an odyssey that would end nearly 400 years later. Mercator's magnificent achievement - thought to be

the first atlas ever made, remarkable in its accuracy and exotic in its Latin names and period illustrations - disappeared from view and languished, forgotten by the world for centuries.

Very little is known for certain. Sometime in the two centuries after 1570, the atlas was transferred to the Cistercian monastery of Mariawald in the duchy of Julich, some 50 miles from Mercator's home in Duisburg, in what became modern Germany.

In 1771, it was repaired, rebound, and annotated by Alan Ortmans, a monk who had taken his vows at a neighboring monastery. He left his mark and his name on the atlas. But the library at Mariawald was soon

dispersed, and all memory of the atlas was lost.

When a collector bought a ragged book of maps in a secondhand Belgian bookstore in 1967, he had no idea he had turned up the long-forgotten cartographic treasure. Thirty years later, for the hefty price of \$1.2 million, the atlas found a permanent home in the British Library, where it can be viewed today by special appointment.

The acquisition of the atlas was an event that helped secure a bit of Britain's heritage. The unique atlas contains not only the only surviving copy of Mercator's celebrated 1554 wall map of Europe, but also one of just three known copies of his even more fascinating wall map of the British Isles.

Shrouded in a gradually-emerging story of mystery and intrigue, the maps were drawn by Scotsman John Elder, who was a tutor to the husband of Mary Queen of Scots. He offered the maps to Mercator to publish under his own name, which Mercator did in 1564.

The mapmaker, a devout Flemish Protestant who had been imprisoned under the Spanish Inquisition, would have been astounded and appalled to know that Elder had a secret agenda: it seems his maps of Scotland and Ireland were secret blueprints for invasion. Elder longed to aid the French and Spanish in retaking the British Isles for Catholicism, and his maps showed them coastal and inland details never before available.

Now, even those not able to visit the relic in person can examine a set of 17 of the atlas maps. A small Oregon publisher, Walking Tree Press, has released an edition of *The Mercator Atlas of Europe* every bit as beautiful as the original. The whole experience of removing the opulent companion book and exquisite maps from their slipcase and gold-embossed linen portfolio provides the reader with something of a tactile adventure.

Once inside, you can't help but be stunned by the beauty of the book and its period illustrations, but it's the maps

that provide the real enchantment. There's Scotland, turned sideways and looking oddly like a mythical island. It's the earliest detailed map of Scotland ever made, and tracing the 16th-century village, town, and lord names is a fascinating challenge.

It is, indeed, a magnificent work in content as well as format - a feast for both the eye and the mind. The price may seem a bit steep at \$245, but *The Mercator Atlas of Europe* is far more than a mere coffee-table book. Walking Tree's elegant edition combines the high art of maps with first-rate scholarly pursuits - a marvelous union that Mercator would endorse. For those inclined to watch their pennies, individual prints of all 17 maps are also available from the publisher. At \$29.95, they make affordable (and frameable) gifts for map lovers, genealogists, or history buffs.

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